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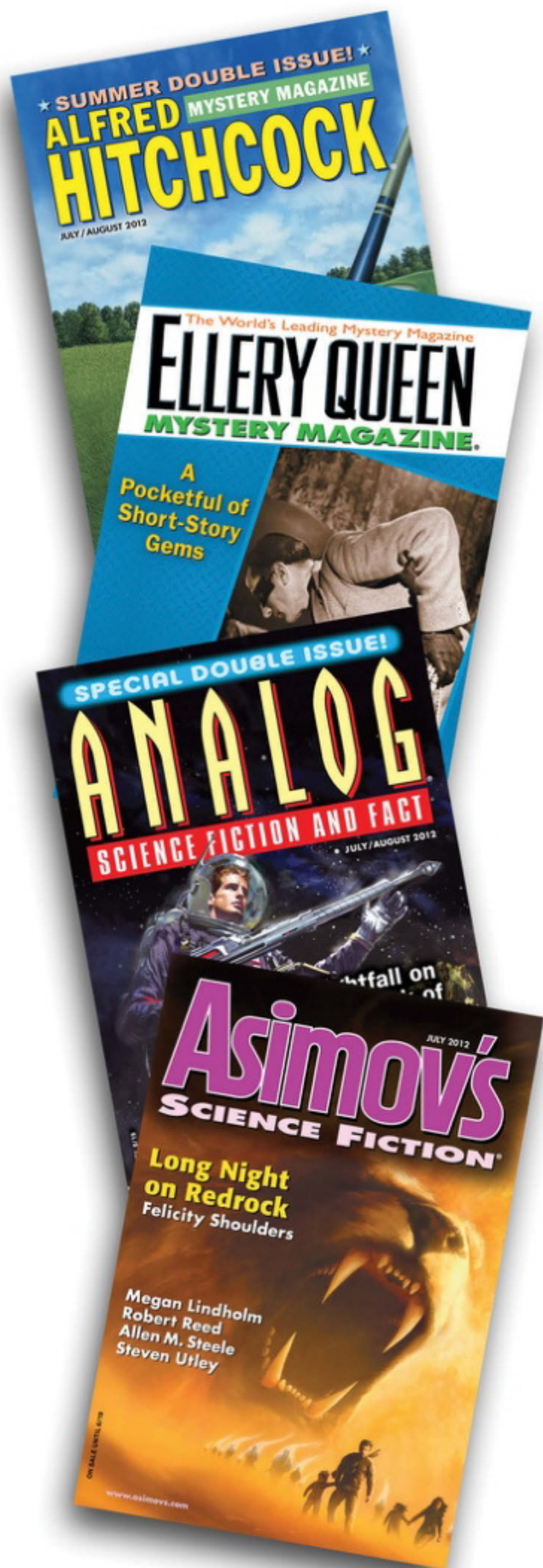
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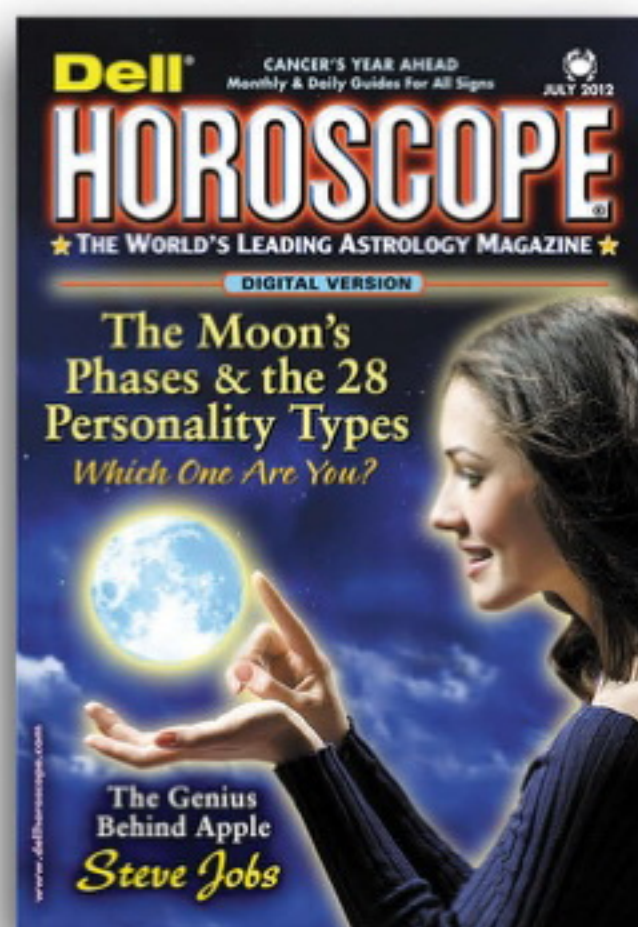
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The Simon Graduate School of Business, University of Rochester, recently published a research paper by Robert Novy-Marx, entitled “Predicting Anomaly Performance With Politics, the Weather, Global Warming, Sunspots, and the Stars.” As summarized by the author, “Predictive regressions find that the party of the U.S. President, the weather in Manhattan, global warming, the El Niño phenomenon, sunspots, and the conjunctions of the planets all have significant power predicting the performance of popular anomalies. The interpretation of these results has important implications for the asset pricing literature.”

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NEPTUNIAN THEME

Dear Editor,

Almost immediately after I finished reading Elizabeth Rozan’s “The Divine Mithra: Philosophy of the Shining Sun” in the October 2014 issue of Dell HOROSCOPE, my husband dashed up to my workroom to announce that Virginia Beach, Virginia, hosts a Neptune Festival. He told me they have a 34-foot-tall, 12.5-ton statue of Neptune, King of the Seas.

Later that day, the mail brought a ring that my husband had ordered for my birthday. It arrived late—very late. But the ring had a large, deep-blue crystal, and Jim dubbed it my “Neptunian” ring because looking into the crystal was like looking into the sea.

The mail also brought an ocean wildlife calendar for 2015 from the Ocean Conservancy. With mail in hand, we went on to a bookstore to pick up a book I had ordered.

Once in the store, I walked by an on-sale book on Greek mythology that had a picture of a Poseidon/Neptune statue on the cover! Later that evening, listening to classical music, I heard Holst’s “The Planets: Neptune, the Mystic.”

For me, this had meaning. I’m a Sun-Sign Cancerian with a Libra Moon, but Neptune is the ruler of my Ascendant and I’ve read that the ruler of one’s Ascendant is the ruler of one’s chart. Neptune’s synchronistic appearances reminded me that there are four elements—not just fire, but rather fire, air, earth, and water. Neptune’s appearances and symbolism made me feel blessed to have the gods and goddesses of the zodiac.

Sincerely,
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How Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto Shaped the Modern World



by WENDELL C. PERRY

You have to feel sorry for those ancient astrologers who had to make do with just seven astrological bodies in the sky: the Sun, Moon, and the five visible planets. Nowadays we have an embarrassment of riches. Along with these seven, we have the new planets, Uranus and Neptune, and a bevy of what astronomers have labeled dwarf planets. Then there are the asteroids, the centaurs, the Kuiper Belt, the Oort Cloud—so many rocks that we can't even name them all.



A lot of astrologers are working hard to find some meaning in some or even all of these planetary bodies. I commend their efforts and am always interested in hearing their theories, but I wonder if such meticulous research and parsing of mythology is really necessary. After all, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto announced their entry into the astrological lexicon with revolutions, huge cultural shifts, and bombs. There was no mistaking their meaning.

In fact, to a large extent, we are still grappling with the impact these “old” new planets had, and are having, on our world. Yes, I know it's been two hundred years, but two hundred years is barely a blink of the eye in the life of our species. So before we start inserting new dwarf planets and asteroids into astrology, perhaps we should explore the ways that Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto reconstructed the human experience and created our modern world.

URANUS

Of course, most people associate Uranus with the American and French Revolutions. Uranus was discovered in 1781, just as the former was ending and a few years before the latter began. These revolutions did not just replace one government with another. They brought forth a completely new concept of the relationship between government and the governed. They enshrined the Uranian ideal of Liberty. And, in the case of the French Revolution, that glorious concept got carried to a violent extreme that showed us the dark, more berserk side of unruly Uranus.

However, Uranus had been busy setting the stage for these events many years prior to its discovery. It began with The Age of Enlightenment. During this period, a number of great thinkers threw off the shackles of religious dogma and began to look at the world through the clear, rational lens of Uranus. They developed what we now call the scientific method, a new means of seeking truth.

The scientific method puts aside tradition and faith. True to the symbolism of Uranus, it is a way of thinking that strives for intellectual purity. This was accomplished by creating a divide between the observer and the observed, the subject and the object. The observer had to remain separated from the observed, both physically and emotionally. In essence, the observed became an abstraction, a thing to be analyzed and manipulated, categorized, and quantified.

The Age of Enlightenment made the political revolutions of the late eighteenth century possible. It also created a revolution of a very different sort: the Industrial Revolution. The Uranian way of looking at the world, developed through application of the scientific method, separated man from nature. Nature became an

abstraction that humans, with their newly liberated minds, were free to exploit by any means necessary.

This approach to nature led to a multitude of inventions that greatly extended the ability of humans to explore the natural world and take from it unprecedented wealth. For hundreds of thousands of years, humans had feared nature; had lived and died according to its whim. The Uranian revolution changed all that. Now it was nature that needed to fear mankind.

The Uranian view of nature has continued to roll forward, and it has produced a level of comfort and plenty for a proportion of our population that would have been unimaginable in pre-Uranian times. But the price of these advances in terms of the poisoning of the environment and the destruction of the eco-system is becoming increasingly apparent. It seems likely that, for the next several generations, the main thrust of this Uranian revolution



will have to be aimed at ameliorating the damage done by our first two hundred years of intellectual liberation.

The political part of the Uranian revolution has also continued into more recent times. Some astrologers associate Communism with Neptune, but I see it as a further representation of the Uranian search for liberty. After all, that thing that happened in Saint. Petersburg and Moscow in 1917 is called the Russian Revolution, not the Russian Magic Show. For Karl Marx and his followers, capitalism was an oppressive force, just as rule by divine right was an oppressive force to Thomas Paine and Robespierre, and, thus, it had to be overthrown.

Wherever people have sought to throw off oppression, Uranus has been there. Workers who cried out for unions, women who demonstrated for the vote, and nationalists who sought to drive out colonialists were all responding to Uranus' touch. Advocates for gay rights and Tea Party Libertarians are both Uranian. We may cheer some of these Uranian developments, like the "Arab Spring," and bemoan others, but Uranus doesn't care.

Its job is to destroy the old and create room for the new, for liberation. The fact that some of these liberations result in new forms of oppression and create a new class ripe for rebellion is just part of a never-ending process.

So is Uranus done with us? It seems unlikely. Around the world we still have people who are oppressed, by their government, their religion, or social customs. These people are still yearning for the cool breeze of rationality and liberty that only Uranus can bring. Meanwhile, the intellectual side of the Uranian revolution has become an institutional authority in itself. This has created a new breed of scientist, iconoclasts who question the very structures on which the awesome authority of the scientific hegemony is based. The image of Uranus rebelling against itself may seem odd at first, but in the Uranian universe, it is inevitable.

NEPTUNE

As we would expect, Neptune's entry into the astrological world was much more subtle than that of Uranus. Yes, there was a revolution. In 1848, two years after the



discovery of Neptune, there was a remarkable series of uprisings in cities all across Europe, but these revolutions were mostly badly organized and their goals were often unrealistic. The only result was a strengthening of the forces of oppression. Somebody forgot to tell Uranus that Neptune was in town.

Neptune's real entry into the world had begun many years earlier in the arenas of literature, music, and art. Here we saw the rise of Romanticism. Romanticism was a direct reaction to the intellectualism of the Uranian Enlightenment. The Romantic writers, artists, and musicians (such as Goethe, Delacroix, and Beethoven) placed a heavy emphasis on feelings. They used their work to describe strong, irresistible passions. For them, the subject/object divide was an illusion. All experience was subjective.

One of the overriding themes of romantic literature, music, and art was the identification with nature. Nature got it right. Within the embrace of nature, humans could cease their intellectual nattering and find the ultimate truth. This theme of romanticism persists in the modern environmentalist movement. Environmentalists seek to counter the lust for profits by calling attention to the beauty and grandeur of pristine nature. Unfortunately, it doesn't often work.

Along with the rise of Romanticism, we also see a resurgence of religion in this period. This resurgence not only impacted the established religions, but it also brought about several new religions and new ways of expressing spirituality. Theosophy, Spiritualism, Mormonism, Christian Science, and a wealth of cults and utopian communities all came out of this Neptunian influence. There was also renewed interest in occult and mystical studies such as the Kabbalah, Tarot, and, of course, Astrology.

This trend continued into the contemporary scene, much to the dismay of the Uranian folks among us. Who would have thought, back in the mid-twentieth centu-



ry, that people would still be fighting religious wars in the twenty first? Who would have foreseen that conservative Christian values would be a litmus test for political candidates in the United States (where church and state are supposed to be separate)? No wonder neo-atheists like Richard Dawkins are so upset. Neptune, in its quiet, insidious way, has totally messed up their nice, neat Uranian world.

But perhaps the most pervasive influence of Neptune sprouted from such developments as photography, lithography, and photogravure. These seemingly mundane inventions made mass distribution of both text and images possible. Suddenly, the whole world had access to images of famous royals, politicians, and performers. They could read about their accomplishments and about their private lives. The pervasive noise we now refer to as popular culture was born.

This new ability to spread information to the masses had many positive qualities. You no longer had to be rich or live in a large city to experience great art or literature. A farmer in South Africa could see a photograph of Michelangelo's *David*. A sailor in Shanghai could read a cheap

edition of *Moby Dick*. And, a few years later, when the phonograph was added to this list of inventions, a grocer in Utah could listen to a recording of Caruso. Culture was no longer the province of the privileged few; it was now in the hands of the masses.

But not all the applications of this technology were designed to expand the mind.

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Very soon after their development, these processes were being used to create advertisements and pornography, neither of which have much concern for the truth. Mass publication allowed tricksters of every description to pitch their wares to a wide audience. It also made it easy for the purveyors of hate and prejudice to incite millions. But perhaps the most common downfall of this manifestation of Neptune is the spread of gossip. After Neptune, it wasn't just the foibles of our relatives and neighbors that gave us something to talk about; it was the private lives of people we knew only through a picture in a magazine.

These days we have so many ways to access popular culture, and it has become such a huge part of our collective experience, that it requires enormous effort to escape it even for a few hours. Popular culture seduces us with glamour, secrets, and the whiff of scandals. It is an illusion, an escape, a diversion from hard realities. It is, in a word, Neptune.

PLUTO

When the International Astronomical Union decided to reclassify Pluto as a dwarf planet in 2006, it was because, previous to that year, they had no strict criteria by which to judge whether an object was a planet or not. Astrologers have always known the definition of a planet: a planet is a celestial body that has an observable influence on human consciousness. Pluto has met this criterion in spades.

Pluto introduced itself to human consciousness with a bang. In fact, it was the biggest bang that the world had ever heard. That was the atomic bomb that was dropped on Hiroshima. Suddenly, human beings were faced with the fact that they had the power to destroy themselves, as well as just about every other form of life on this planet. It was a shocking, terrifying, and transformative realization—just what you would expect with Pluto.

Like Uranus and Neptune, Pluto started working its way into human history several years prior to its actual discovery in 1930. We can see inklings of Pluto's influence in the growing power of money. By the late nineteenth century, the social structures that had been built around Saturn and Jupiter, in which one's status was a matter of birth and lineage, was being replaced by a new paradigm. Increasingly, it was people with money, lots and lots of money, who wielded the real power in Western society.

Of course, the revolutionary spirit of Uranus helped clear the way for this new ruling class, and many within its ranks used the Neptunian functions of popular culture to accumulate their wealth. Still, there was a reason why these people were called "plutocrats." They controlled the lives of millions purely through their ownership of the means of production. Is it any wonder that the rise of this type of absolute power sparked a new wave of Uranian rebellion?

Of course, Marx's attack on the plutocrats didn't work out so well. The Western democracies might have had a little more

luck by imposing an income tax and other legal reforms. But, as we know from recent statistics, an enormous percentage of the wealth of the United States is still held by a very small percentage of its citizens. This unequal distribution of wealth creates the potential for a different kind of Plutonian bomb, an economic bomb, like one that was dropped on us in 2008.

While money was slowly replacing rank as a social determinate, Pluto was opening the way to a new age of discovery. True to Pluto's nature, this age of discovery would involve digging down to the roots of reality, down into the sub-microscopic realm of the atom, and beyond. It began in 1900, when Max Planck introduced the world to the perplexing power of quantum mechanics. What followed was a period of scientific exploration that totally restructured our understanding of the stuff of which the universe was made.

Even today scientists are not sure why or how quantum mechanics works the way it does. That hasn't stopped these researchers from using its secrets to create a multitude of devices that have transformed our lives. From the computer we can hold in our hands to the smart phone that everyone has to have, to various medical-imaging devices that save our lives, quantum mechanics is at work.

However, where we truly see Pluto's influence in this scientific revolution is not in the devices it has made possible. (In fact, these have as much to do with Uranus as Pluto.) Pluto's power is most evident in the questions it has raised. In the quantum world, the Uranus split between observer and the observed breaks down. The expectations of the observer can change the result of the observation. Changes in one atomic particle can alter the condition of another even though it might be a million miles away. Discoveries like this are truly transformative, and we are only beginning to understand their ramifications.

In science, Pluto had us digging down to the smallest and most subtle levels of

reality. In politics, on the other hand, Pluto was anything but subtle. At the time that Pluto was discovered, the world was in the midst of an Age of Dictators. There was Stalin in Russia, Hitler in Germany, Mussolini in Italy, Franco in Spain, and the military elite of Japan. Many of these rulers used the revolutionary spirit of Uranus to attain power. (Stalin, for example, started out as a Uranian revolutionary and ended up a Plutonian autocrat.) They also made extensive use of Neptunian propaganda, but it was the will of the people they ruled that gave these dictators their strength.

Here we see Pluto asserting itself through a kind of mass psychosis, a glorification of power independent of morality. A man who could make the trains run on time, who could bring order out of chaos and restore national pride, who could give us someone to blame for all our troubles, that was the man we could follow. Eventually, the Age of Dictators brought its own kind of transformation in the form of the most destructive and widespread conflict in human history.

World War II, Pluto's war, changed the world in many ways, yet it did not completely end the Age of Dictators. We had Mao in China, Pinochet in Chile, Saddam in Iraq, and now we have Putin in Russia. Uranus creates revolutions by motivating an enlightened minority. Pluto accumulates power by understanding and managing the expectations of the masses. As long as human beings are willing to surrender their personal autonomy to someone who tells them only what they want to hear, then the Age of Dictators is not likely to end.

AND ALL THE REST

Obviously, humankind is still struggling with the lessons that Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto have to teach us, and in some areas (geographical, intellectual, and cultural), this struggle has become a matter of great importance. But now astrology has all these new bodies to assimilate,

from Chiron to the latest numbered object in the Kuiper Belt. How does the astrological meaning of these bodies fit into the expanse of human consciousness?

The most common technique employed for finding a place for these new objects is a study the mythology behind the names assigned to them by astronomers. The assumption here is that the naming agencies are somehow unwitting seers. However, as has been pointed out by Richard Tarnas, the astrological meaning of Uranus has nothing to do with the ancient Greek sky god for which it was named. Likewise, Neptune's meaning bears little resemblance to the Roman sea god, except for the occasional association with bodies of water.

The way to go, it would seem, would be to match the discovery of these objects with major shifts in our history and culture. And yet, with so many objects being discovered over such a relatively short time, this seems unworkable. More important, many of the changes we have seen in the past fifty years can easily be attributed to Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto.

Let's take, for example, the evolution of personal computers, from the hulking Gateway that once upon a time sat on my desk to the sleek Apple laptop my daughter now uses. This is something that certainly changed humanity. Yet, this digital revolution is, in many ways, the ultimate manifestation of Uranus. From the Age of Enlightenment on, Uranus has sought ways to understand the world as an abstraction. Through the computer, everyone and everything is abstracted, reduced to a series of ones and zeros.

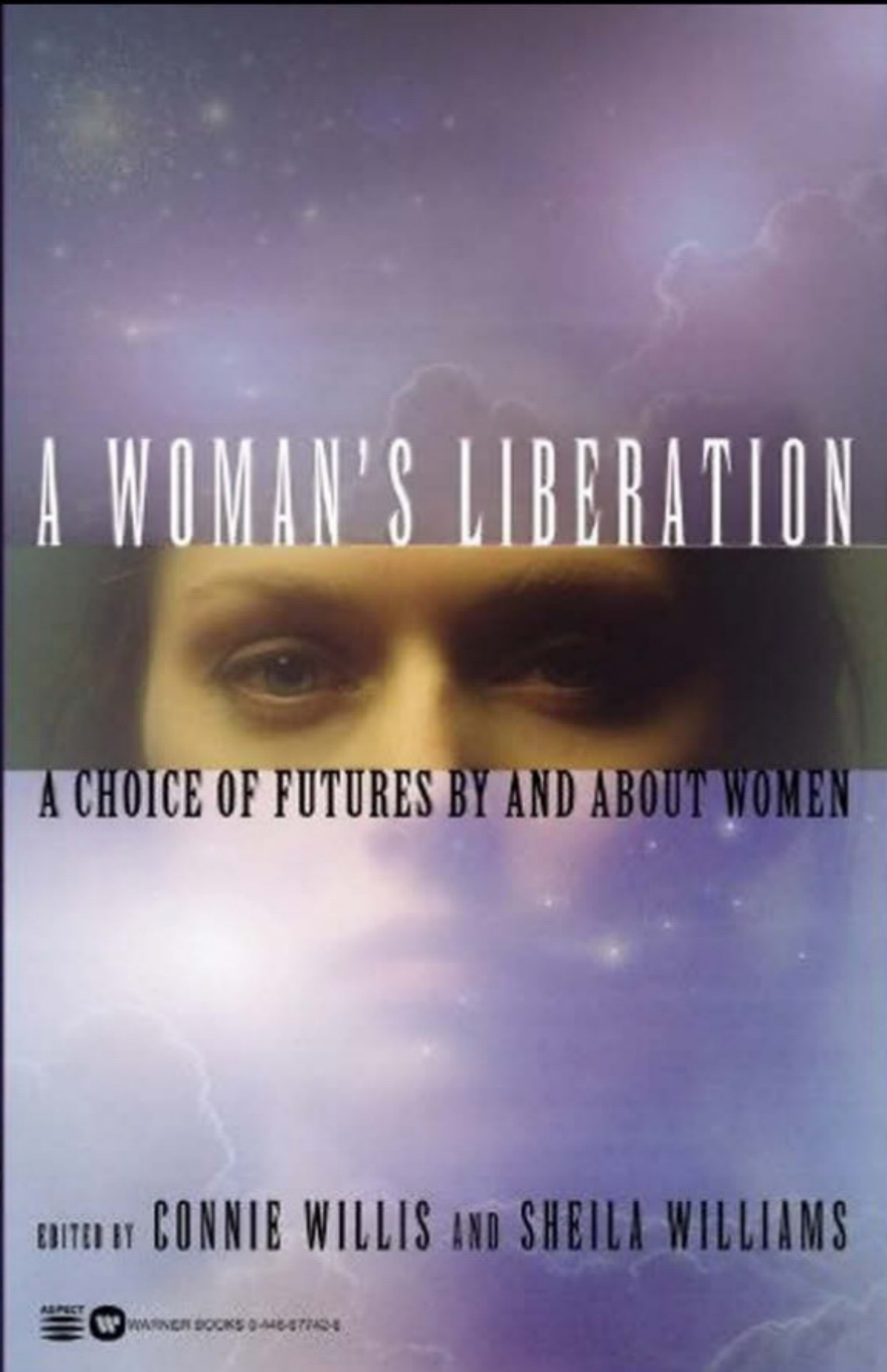
At the same time, this Uranian revolution has opened the door to a flood of celebrity gossip, pornography, pop-up ads, memes, YouTube hits that come and go like mayflies, and tweets that prove that it is virtually impossible to say anything intelligent with 140 characters. These are all manifestations of Neptune and its

wacky kingdom of pop culture. Meanwhile, as we swim through this sludge, information concerning just about every aspect of our lives is being quietly gleaned and passed on to god knows who. In the twenty-first century, Pluto has apparently decided that knowledge, as well as money and guns, is a means to power.

This doesn't mean that there is no place for the newer astrological bodies. Demetra George was quite right, back in 1986, when she linked the four feminine-named asteroids—Ceres, Vesta, Pallas Athena, and Juno—with a rising concern for the feminine. Also, Joe Landwehr makes a good point when he associates Ceres with our increased awareness of environmental issues. And I think we can easily see the influence of Chiron in the growing acceptance of alternative and natural medicines. These shifts might seem subtle now, but they could bear significant fruit later in this century.

So that's five out of how many hundred asteroids, dwarf planets, and so on? Yeeesh! I wonder if we have the ability, at this point in our development as a species, to find a place for all these bodies in astrology. I'm not sure that we have to. Until we have learned how to balance our Uranian thirst for liberty and intellectual purity with human needs and concerns, until we have found a way to make Neptune a means to spiritual completeness instead of useless diversion and escapism, until we've come to grips with Pluto's lust for power, do we really need to be bringing new pieces into the cosmic puzzle?

I certainly don't want to stop anyone from using Chiron or Ceres or the latest planetoid discovered in the Kuiper belt in their astrology. The lifeblood of this pursuit is the ability of individual astrologers to experiment and try new things, but I personally think that the most pertinent thing that can be said for the multitude of bodies that are circling the Sun is that their ever-increasing number is an awesome indication of how far our human consciousness is destined to expand.

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January's Planets and You

— by BILL MERIDIAN —



Welcome to 2015! Despite the Uranus-Pluto squares of recent years, the world has not ended yet, and it is unlikely to do so this year. On March 16, the last square will occur with Uranus at 15° Aries and Pluto at 15° Capricorn. On March 20, there will be a Solar Eclipse at 29°27' Pisces, close enough to the World Point at 0° Aries to make it very powerful and far-reaching. These two configurations are the most powerful of the year.



The Uranus-Pluto square has already transited through a powerful set of degree areas. These degrees include the invariable plane, the plane at which planetary velocities net out to zero. This plane represents balance. People and entities with planets in this plane find themselves caught between opposing forces. The United States, which has a Sun-Saturn square at these degrees, has for many years acted as a global policeman, but the recent series of Uranus-Pluto squares has

upset the world's balance of power. This last square is two degrees beyond the invariable plane, but it will likely have an effect in March because the last aspect in a series usually has the greatest effect, as Charles Jayne taught. Moreover, the Solar Eclipse at the World Point will have a greater effect than most, as did the Solar Eclipse at 0° Cancer, another World Point, in June 2001. The eclipse shadows Europe and Russia, with its path of totality beginning just south of Greenland and ending in the ocean north of Siberia. This path continues a theme that began last October with paths connecting the United States and Russia.

As regular readers know, eclipse analysis follows the Saros and the Metonic cycles. We begin by looking back 18 (Saros) and 19 (Metonic) years. Every 54 years, an eclipse in the same Saros cycle is visible from the same area. In my columns in 2013, I indicated that this made 2013-14 comparable to 1959-60, a time when U.S.-U.S.S.R. relations deteriorated sharply. On May 1, 1960, during the Cold War, and the leadership of Dwight Eisenhower and Nikita Khrushchev, an American U-2 spy plane was shot down over U.S.S.R. airspace. In 2014, 54 years later, relations between Washington and the Kremlin were again strained when another aircraft, Malaysian Airlines Flight MH17, was shot down over the Ukraine on July 17, 2014. In the first

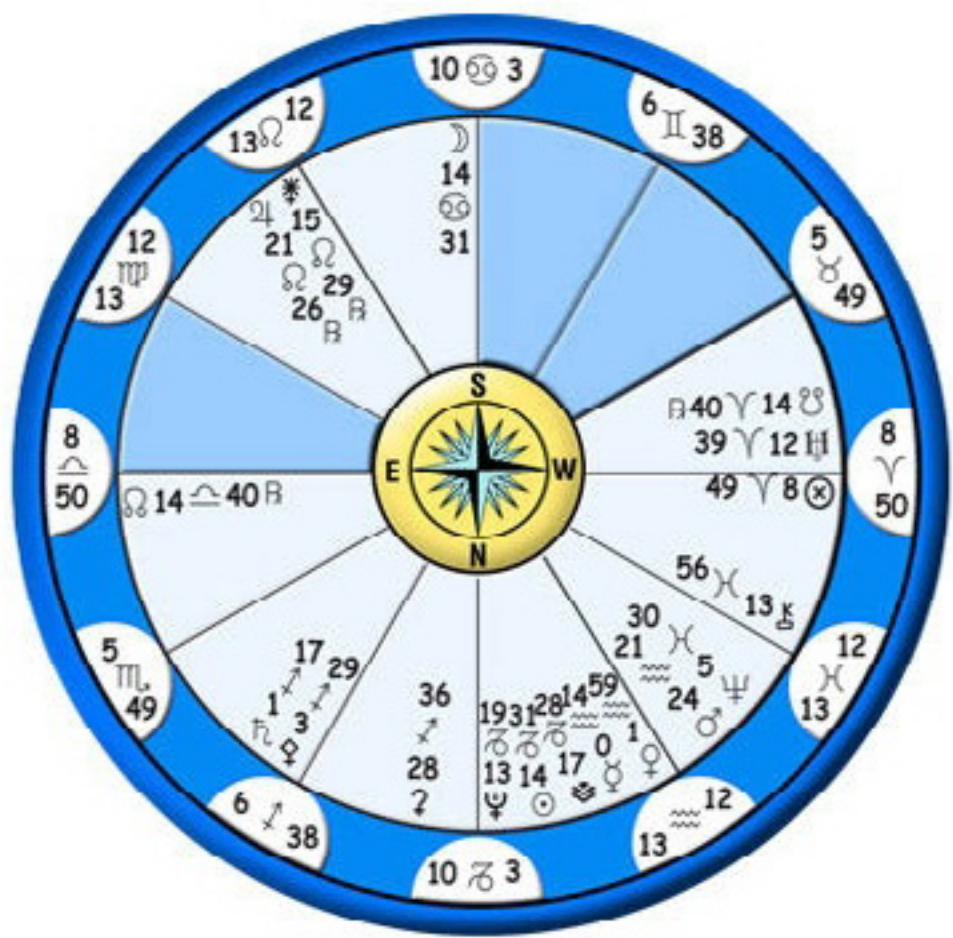
case, the U-2 was 70,000 feet above the earth, a height at which U.S. intelligence thought no missile could reach. The altitude of the Malaysian airliner and the missile's range were also issues, as with the U-2 incident. Note how eclipses in the same Saros cycle carry a theme forward.

Let us now look back 108 (2 x 54) and 162 (3 x 54) years to see how this stream of history carries back even further. This points us to 1906 and 1852. The former date is only one year after the conclusion of the 1904-05 Russo-Japanese War, which Japan won. The latter date held the seeds of the Crimean War that broke out in 1853. In that conflict, London was seeking a way to declare war against Russia. In order to demonstrate its power, Russia attacked a Turkish fleet at anchor at Sinop on November 30, 1853, the day of a Total Solar Eclipse at 8° Sagittarius. Matters beginning on the day of an eclipse rarely work out as planned. In response to the attack, London convinced France, Sardinia, and Turkey to join in a war against Moscow. Russia won no major battles and lost that conflict. We can conclude that this eclipse series relates to Russian conflict.

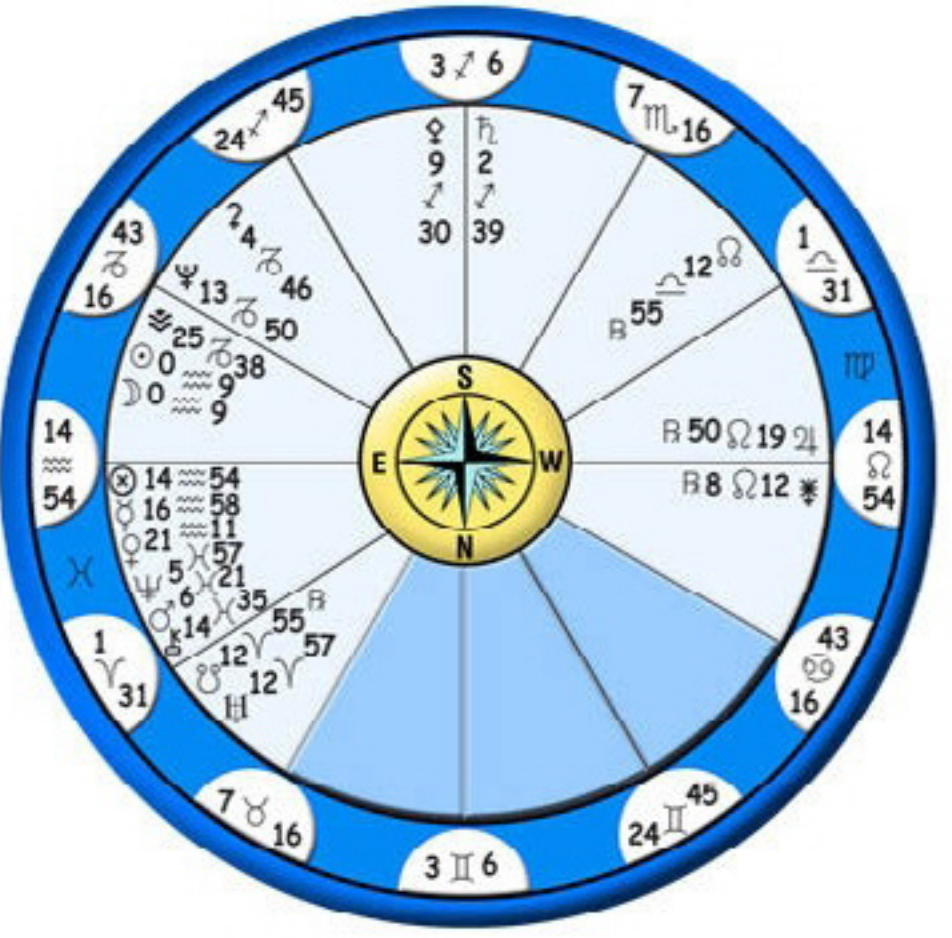
Let us now look forward. At the Capricorn Ingress of December 21, 2014, Mars is on the IC to the east of Tehran and running north through Russia. The MC of the Capricorn Ingress chart set for Washington, D.C., is at 29° Pisces, so the March eclipse hits the MC of this chart. In the Aries Ingress chart set for this coming March, Mars is on the IC near Moscow. The March 20, 2015, Solar Eclipse will be on the MC in Moscow.

On February 21, 2015, Mars will move from south to north declination. Constructing a horoscope for this passage and then setting up an Astro*Carto*Graphy map, I find Mars on the IC on a line running from Tehran directly north through the USSR. The Mars-MC line in the September 13, 2015, Solar Eclipse again runs through Tehran north through Russia. There will be a Lunar Eclipse on September 27, 2015; the Pluto-IC line runs from Tehran north through Russia. As you can see, the ACG maps of the 2014-15 phenomena show that Russia will be repeatedly hit by difficult planets.

Vladimir Putin (October 7, 1952) again faces a tough year, but he is likely to handle the challenges better in 2015. The Lunar Eclipse last autumn (October 8, 2014)



Full Moon, January 4, 2015
Washington, D.C.



New Moon, January 20, 2015
Washington, D.C.

was opposite his Sun; the April 4, 2015, Lunar Eclipse will be conjunct his Sun. The former (an eclipse opposite the natal Sun) knocks one down in stature; the latter (an eclipse directly on the natal Sun) strengthens the spirit and raises the stature. Transiting Uranus opposes his Sun for the last time in February. Transiting Pluto squares his Sun in January, July, and November. Transiting Uranus opposes his Saturn in 2015. The most trying time will likely be August, when the Saturn direct station will be semisquare his Sun. But the big difference is that the eclipse-Sun conjunction strengthens his will, enabling him to best handle the challenges of 2015.

Now, I would like to add an interesting perspective to this picture. On May 20, 2014, Russia and China signed a gas deal that is priced in Russian rubles and the Chinese yuan, thus avoiding use of the U.S. dollar. This deal is frowned upon by the powers-that-be. The last countries to attempt this were Iraq and Libya. Could this be behind the anti-Putin campaign? At the time of this writing in July 2014, there is still no evidence of direct Russian involvement, according to U.S. intelligence. The horoscope set for the day of the deal is most unstable: Mars and Zeus in Libra oppose Uranus and square Pluto in Capricorn and Jupiter in Cancer. The key is that the Sun is at 29° Taurus, a close semisquare to Uranus, linking it into the entire cross pattern. Entities with hard Sun-Uranus aspects seldom last long. The last one that began under such an aspect was the now-defunct Morsi government in Cairo.

Putin and Russia are likely to weather the storm, but this deal is unlikely to survive.

This month's Full Moon occurs on the 4th at 11:54 P.M. E.S.T. Located at 14°31' Capricorn, it is closely opposed Pluto and square Uranus. In the chart for Washington, D.C., the former planet is in the fourth house and the latter is in the seventh.

This appears to tell us that chaotic situations in other countries have an adverse effect on the United States. Perhaps it will be another influx of foreigners crossing the border. The lunation is on the MC/IC axis in New York City, so this will be an area where this theme is played out. On the other side of the globe, China also has this configuration angular.

This month's New Moon occurs on the 20th at 8:14 A.M. E.S.T. and occupies 0°09' Aquarius. In the chart drawn for Washington, D.C., there is a Mars-Neptune conjunction at 6° Pisces square Saturn at 2° Sagittarius. This can have a draining or tiring effect. It is best to stick to activities where charitable giving or enhancement of the spirit is paramount. Ego-driven activities will tend to bog down.



— **Dec. 28-Jan. 4 2nd Quarter** —
**BE CAREFUL WITH
 RETIREMENT PLANS**

On the 27th, Vesta is conjunct Pluto. Given the simultaneous square of Uranus to the outermost planet, this is an unfavorable sign for pensions and investments. Be careful in making any changes to retirement or insurance plans; you are likely to miss some important detail. The government may change the rules to the detriment of savers. The Sun is square Uranus and conjunct Pluto on the 3rd, again activating the square and making this an unstable week.

— **January 4-13 3rd Quarter** —
DON'T GET BURNED BY BERNIE

The Sun squares the transiting Node on the 5th. As long-term readers may recall, this aspect serves as a trigger for preceding and upcoming Solar Eclipses. The last eclipse was at 0°34' Scorpio and the next is at 29°27' Pisces. If any of your planets have been contacted or will be contacted by these eclipses, then you may very well experience manifestations near this date. On the 11th, the Sun is conjunct Vesta and both semi-

square Neptune. The latter two were strong in Bernie Madoff's chart, so be careful with investments and with any paper security.

—— **January 13-20 4th Quarter** ——
A BREAK IN A CLOSE RELATION?

The 15th might be a tough day. First, Mars squares Saturn; this combination is well known for delays, blockages, and frustrations. Pluto squares the Node the same day, while squaring Uranus. There can be control issues within close relationships. Equal openings create planetary pictures, so this grouping of four ties together. The degrees at the center of all this energy are 8° of the fixed signs and 23° of the mutables. If you have any planets at these degrees, they will be afflicted. On the 19th, Mars is conjunct Neptune at 6° Pisces. This pair is not useful when pursuing an ego-directed goal, but it is fine for charitable work; it is also very good for performing physical movements that enhance the spirit, such as t'ai chi.

—— **January 20-26 1st Quarter** ——
PATIENCE LEADS TO BREAK-THROUGHS

On the 25th, there is a pair of parallels. The first is that of the Sun and Saturn, and the second is Uranus and Pallas. This has a pair of possible outcomes. First, ingenuity can be applied to solve a tough problem. Second, technical projects can run into snags and delays. One must apply discipline and patience as well as an intellectual talent.

—— **Jan. 26-Feb. 3 2nd Quarter** ——
PALLAS IS STILL POWERFUL

On the 28th, Mars squares Pallas, the asteroid that rules cutting instruments and weapons such as spears and javelins. Be careful with such objects. This pair can generate a martial or combative tone. Proceed with caution. Mars is conjunct Chiron on the 31st. Chiron can act as a benign destabilizer at times; that is, you can make an omelet with those eggs you've broken. You can make more progress now because egos are out of the way.



A daughter's Saturn in Aries is in a loose conjunction to her father's Venus and Mercury, and it is in opposition to his Libra Moon and Jupiter, and square his Cancer Mars and Saturn. She has always been receptively cool towards him (Saturn denying the Venus and Mercury rapport). Her father would always say, "Talking to her is like talking to the wall." To further complicate this influence, the opposition to his generous Moon and Jupiter conjunction added to her tendency to use him should her needs arise (Saturn in its fall in Aries). The father's Mars (decisive action) and Saturn (discipline) in Cancer (home), both in fall and detriment, were not strong enough factors to enable him to parent the problem effectively without a great deal of emotion and hurt. (Mars and Venus square reinforced this aspect). This continues today, even though the daughter has left home. Ironically, a stepdaughter entered his life and, astrologically, she is closer to kin. They both share this Mars-Saturn conjunction in Cancer, and her Venus (also in Aries) supports and encourages lively conversations. She adores his old-fashioned cliches (Mercury retrograde), and the benevolent opposition to his Moon-Jupiter in Libra promotes friendly ties, with a lot of give-and-take. Today, not only do they talk alike, but they also think alike in their own wacky way.



STOCK MARKET OUTLOOK

by **BILL MERIDIAN**

This is a month when most companies report earnings. It is especially important because these will be yearend earnings for 2014 for most. Between the 15th and 20th, there is a cardinal Uranus-Pluto-Node T-square at 12°-13°. This is the strongest configuration of the month.



Starbucks (SBUX)

June 26, 1992, operates as a roaster, marketer, and retailer of specialty coffee worldwide. The company is due in the third week of the month. Saturn in Scorpio had been on the natal Pluto, opposing the MC and the Moon in Taurus. This had held the stock back a bit, but with Saturn having moved on, SBUX is likely to have a more consistent uptrend in 2015.

Amazon (AMZN)

May 15, 1997, is an online retailer. AMZN reports in the third week of the month. Saturn is trine the MC all month, while Jupiter trines the progressed MC in January. The latter aspect is exact on the 27th, a bit after earnings are due. This will likely lead to a mild rally in the share price. Uranus is at 12° Aries, far

enough away from natal Saturn at 15°41' Aries to be out of harm's way, but when Uranus moves back up to 15°, AMZN is again likely to plunge, as it did last April and July.

Coca Cola (KO)

September 26, 1924, at 10:00 A.M., distributes Coca-Cola, Diet Coke, and other soft drinks worldwide. Jupiter retrogrades back over Neptune on the 2nd and over the Leo MC on the 31st. KO is more likely to report late in the month as Jupiter is nearing the Midheaven; this will likely bring a positive earnings surprise.

Delta Airlines (DAL)

April 17, 1957, provides scheduled air transportation for passengers and cargo worldwide. The T-square ties into natal Pluto with semisquare and sesquiquadrate aspects. Saturn has entered Sagittarius, an overall negative for the whole industry. Avoid these shares.

Google (GOOG)

August 9, 2004, builds products and provides services to organize Internet information and make it universally accessible and useful. GOOG is due to report around the 30th. Neptune trines the MC on the 27th. Retrograde Jupiter is trine Pluto. In the absence of any bearish as-

pects, this should be sufficient to lift the shares if GOOG does report during that week.

MasterCard Incorporated (MA)

May 26, 2006, a payments and technology company, provides transaction processing and other payment-related services. MA may report near February 1. As written one year ago, "This may be the first in a series of earnings disappointments in 2014." Thus far, this stock topped relative to the market in December 2013. The reason for this forecast was the 13° Aries MC, which would be afflicted by the Uranus-Pluto square. In February, Uranus will make its last passage over the MC, but in March, Saturn stations opposite the Sun, and Pluto will square the MC three more times in the second half of the year. It is thus likely that the MC will be afflicted when earnings are reported. We can conclude that MA's underperformance will continue through 2015.

Apple Inc. (AAPL)

December 12, 1980, designs, manufactures, and markets mobile communication and media devices, personal computers, and portable digital music players and sells related software, services, peripherals, networking solutions, and third-party digital content and applications worldwide. AAPL is likely to report in the third week of the month. There are no outstanding contacts to the natal or to the progressed chart, so this stock will likely move with the averages when earnings are announced.

Genuine Parts Company (GPC)

August 20, 1968, at 10:00 A.M., distributes automotive replacement parts, industrial replacement parts, office products, and electrical/electronic materials. The company is set to report on the 18th. Sell or short the stock because Pluto will oppose the MC (13°49' Cancer) the next day. Uranus opposes the progressed Sun,

and Uranus-Pluto combinations can lead to sharp declines.

Schlumberger Limited (SLB)

February 2, 1962, supplies technology, integrated project management, and information solutions to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The Moon is at 10° Capricorn, and the Midheaven is at 12° Capricorn. Pluto is now past the opposition to the MC, but the T-square hits the MC. This will likely be strong enough to more than offset some positive aspects to the converse-progressed horoscope.

IBM (IBM)

February 14, 1924, at 10:00 A.M., may report near the 20th. If so, avoid the stock because Saturn is contraparallel the progressed Sun on that day.

Let us look at a past case from July 2014. This is a great example of how astrology can add value. Herbalife was under assault from investor William A. "Bill" Ackman for over a year. He had been saying that he would provide evidence showing the company was actually a Ponzi scheme and that he would offer proof on July 22, 2014. The stock began trading on December 16, 2004. Transiting Jupiter was trine the progressed MC at 1°15' Sagittarius, and Uranus went stationary retrograde opposite natal Jupiter on July 21. His presentation failed to provide the proof, and the shares leapt 25 percent on the 22nd. This is a great example of how astrology can provide answers to questions that traditional analysis cannot.

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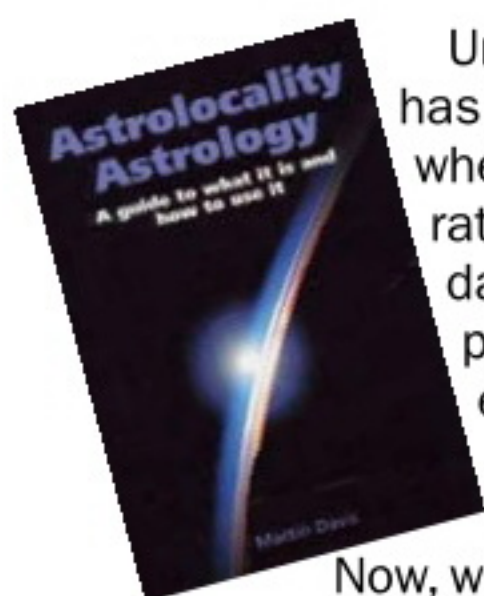
Book & Product REVIEW

—by CHRIS LORENZ—



ASTROLOCALITY ASTROLOGY

by Martin Davis; The Wessex Astrologer, 4A Woodside Road, Bournemouth, BH5 2AZ, UK; 2014, paper, 197 pp. (6" x 9.25"), £13.00, ISBN 978-1-902405-93-3.



Until recently, astrology has generally focused on when events take place rather than where. In today's world, however, people frequently travel, relocate, and connect to places far from their birthplace.

Now, with the advent of widely available computer software, new techniques enable the astrologer to understand how specific places around the globe might be extra advantageous to the native—or, contrarily, full of trouble. The best known of these techniques is Jim Lewis' Astro*Carto*Graphy, and we also have Local Space lines as devised by Michael Erlewine.

In 1999, astrologer Martin Davis wrote about these two techniques and went one step further by combining them. His book on the subject, *Astrolocality Astrology*, became a ground-breaking text for anyone interested in exploring the "where" of astrology. Now, Davis has added new material, reorganized the text from simple to complex, and is publishing it as the second edition of *Astrolocality Astrology*.

In order to take full advantage of this book, one will need some sophisticated astrology calculation software that includes the ability to create A*C*G maps and Local Space maps. To my knowledge, this list includes, but may not be limited to, the top-line programs from Matrix, Cosmic Patterns, SolarFire, Halloran, and Janus. If you don't own any of these programs but are interested in how your natal horoscope can be projected to anywhere on Earth, Davis' book is the premier introduction to the subject.

The author explains astrolocality in a nutshell: "Space-oriented techniques tell us not only what to expect on earth at certain locations or in particular directions, but also why the people or things embodying these events are coming to us from specific points or directions on the earth." Chapter One is a definitive exploration of A*C*G maps. Davis has moved around quite a bit himself, and he uses his own case history to flesh out the relevance of this technique. Later in the chapter, more advanced techniques based on A*C*G maps are added, including the importance of where lines cross (parans), and Cyclo*Carto*Graphy, which plots transits and progressions onto maps.

Chapters Two and Three are all about Local Space, what it is, and how to interpret the lines. What makes *Astrolocality Astrology* a classic is that the author has researched everything that has ever been

written on the subject, distilled the information, and given credit where credit is due. In addition to Michael Erlewine and Jim Lewis, readers will find references to Nicholas Campion, Robert Hand, Jeff Jawer, Karen Hamaker-Zondag, Steve Cozzi, Maritha Pottenger, and many more. These astrologers have all written about either A*C*G maps or Local Space, and the bibliography section provides sources for further reading.

Unlike the wavy and crisscross lines found in A*C*G maps, Local Space lines radiate outward from wherever you are currently located. This unique technique shows a direction that you might want to take. For example, if you want action, you check your Mars line and travel in that direction. Love can be found along your Venus line. Davis uses the example of Edward Snowden to show how Local Space works in practice. He also rectifies the chart of Ronnie Biggs, who participated in the Great Train Robbery of 1963. Biggs had an adventurous trek across the globe while trying to elude extradition. Davis intuitively saw that Uranus would be a major indicator in Biggs' A*C*G and Local Space maps, and this led him to what appears to be a very accurate birth time.

The perspective of Local Space maps can be altered: if you zoom in to a Local Space map of your city, you can find action

or love within a short drive. Or, zoom in further to your house and the Local Space map becomes a Feng Shui map. Chapter Four describes how to make these charts and, in what he calls "special studies," investigates the Local Space map of the U.S. horoscope. His personal choice to demonstrate this technique is based on a speculative U.S. chart, and interested researchers might want to try the technique on their own favorite U.S. horoscope.

The last chapter on Geodetic charts is likewise speculative. The geodetic chart he uses starts by projecting the zodiac onto the global map with 0° Aries going through Greenwich. The natal chart is then combined with this geodetic map to produce a geodetic chart. He uses the example of Krishnamurti to show why this guru's favorite place in the world was Ojai, California.

The seven appendices alone are worth the price of this book. Appendix 1 through 3 detail the meanings of the planets in A*C*G and Local Space maps (written by Jeff Jawer, Michael Erlewine, and Angel Thompson). Michael Erlewine's original articles on Local Space are included as Appendix 4, and Martin Davis adds his insights on Pluto and other technical considerations about Local Space. If you have any interest at all in the "where" of astrology, *Astrolocality Astrology* is the best entrance point.

DAILY HOROSCOPE 2015 CALENDAR

by Jill Goodman; Andrews McMeel Publishing; 1130 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; 2014, 740 pp. (4.25" x 5.25"), \$14.99, ISBN 978-1-4494-5149-3.



Do you check your daily horoscope? Do you read your friend's or lover's horoscope? You won't have to wait for the newspaper to come out if you get Jill Goodman's *Daily Horoscope 2015 Calendar*, which has readings for each of the twelve signs for every day of the year.

In addition to the Sun-Sign forecasts, special icons add to the outlook in four categories of interest. A dollar sign tells you it's a good money day, a heart indicates a good day for romance, and the caduceus staff signals a good health day. The overall forecast is shown by one, two, or three stars. Three-star days are common, while two-star days a bit less so. Watch out for the one-star days, which are relatively rare. The dollar sign, heart, and caduceus symbols are also few in number—a treat to know about ahead of time.

I peeked at Hillary Clinton's birthday to see what lies ahead for her. Here's what

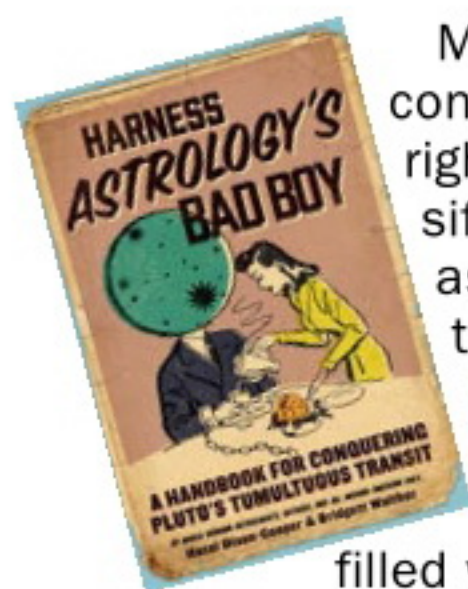
it says: “Information that appears unexpectedly (read ‘conversation stopper’) could prove to be extremely useful once you recuperate from the surprise. Ask probing questions and stick around long enough to get the full story.” Hmmm . . . sounds intriguing.

Besides making a fun desktop adviso-

ry, this 2015 calendar would make a great gift during this gift-giving season. At the bottom of each day’s page is a brief list of celebrities born on that day. Did you know that Pat Sajak, Keith Urban, Jaclyn Smith, and Mahalia Jackson share the same birthday as Hillary Clinton?

HARNESS ASTROLOGY’S BAD BOY

by Hazel Dixon-Cooper and Bridgett Walther; Atria Paperback, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020; 2014, paper, 239 pp. (5.5” x 8.375”), \$16.00, ISBN 978-1-58270-455-5.



Most astronomers are convinced that Pluto is rightfully no longer classified as a planet, but astrologers know better. This distant yet powerful troublemaker can make life seem miserable,

filled with trauma, turmoil, and frightful explorations into the dark side of the psyche. Yet, as many psychologically-oriented astrologers are quick to point out, when one looks at Pluto’s negative patterns and seeks to transform them into a healthier expression, one becomes empowered, stronger, and more fulfilled. Being the farthest out among the traditional planets, Pluto takes the longest to pass through a sign.

Pluto will be in Capricorn until 2024, and authors Hazel Dixon-Cooper and Bridgett Walther have written an insightful guide to managing this transit in *Harness Astrology’s Bad Boy*. Unlike many authors who write beginners’ books, these two know the material thoroughly and have a knack for explaining the complexities of Pluto and its influences. In an easy-to-follow process, they introduce the reader to three levels of interpreting Pluto, each one adding a new layer of understanding about Pluto as well as the language of astrology.

First, why should anyone be concerned about Pluto in Capricorn? As the authors so indelicately put it, Pluto is the “bad ass” of the universe. More specifically, “He’s the expert on power plays, control freaks, and hidden agendas because he was born into the poster family for dysfunction.” In essence, Pluto represents the nagging pressure in your head that reminds you that something in your life needs to change, or else.

In Part One, the authors delineate Pluto in each of the signs, which amounts to describing generational patterns based on Pluto’s placement. For example, for the many individuals born when Pluto was in Leo (1937 to 1956), the family skeletons were no longer kept in the closet (as the Pluto in Cancer generation preferred). These Baby Boomers introduced drugs, sex, and rock and roll as a lifestyle, and marketers targeted their narcissism and referred to them as the “Me” generation. Using fitness, diets, and surgeries to keep the appearance of youth characteristic of their Leo traits, this generation refuses to get old. For each Pluto generation, we can see common characteristics that set them apart from other generations.

Part Two addresses how Pluto in Capricorn influences each Sun-Sign. To introduce each sign, they present a snapshot of the sign’s basic tendencies. This is followed by a brief explanation of how Pluto in Capricorn will challenge your Sun-Sign. For example, for the Aries individual, Pluto in Capricorn will be in your solar tenth house, which will increase your ambition and drive. The challenge here is that Pluto will make sure you play fair and will ex-

pose contradictions between your public and private affairs.

Part Three is the lengthiest section, taking up two-thirds of the text. The descriptions of Pluto in each of the houses are much deeper and more explicit. To get the most out of Part Three, you will need a copy of your horoscope to find out where Capricorn is in your chart, the house that Pluto is going through. Each of the twelve houses is explained in turn, followed by some storytelling. All the stories are true and are derived from the authors' client files, though the names and other details have been changed to protect the innocent.

Consider the case of Len, who was born with Pluto in the second house of money. His war with money began early when his parents used money to control him. When he earned extra money after school, his father discontinued his allowance. As an adult, he became a big moneymaker and was obsessed with material possessions. The narrative explores Len's eventual stardom in Hollywood, but also tells that the money went out as quickly as it came in. With the explanation that "Pluto despises needless waste," we learn that his TV show was canceled, his Lamborghini was repossessed, and his marriage ended.

The lesson? "Failure as revenge is one of the darkest motivations of a second-house Pluto." Pluto urges one to take responsibility for how material possessions are handled. When Pluto transits the second house, the common themes center

around the use of money as power, self-worth issues, and taking a risk on being true to yourself. The manifestation of Pluto in this house can appear in other ways as well, such as forcing you to reconsider your moral-values system, fighting for self-respect, and getting a better understanding of the mind-body connection. How do you balance the need for security and independence? This is another mind-boggling process that gets stirred up when Pluto goes through the second house.

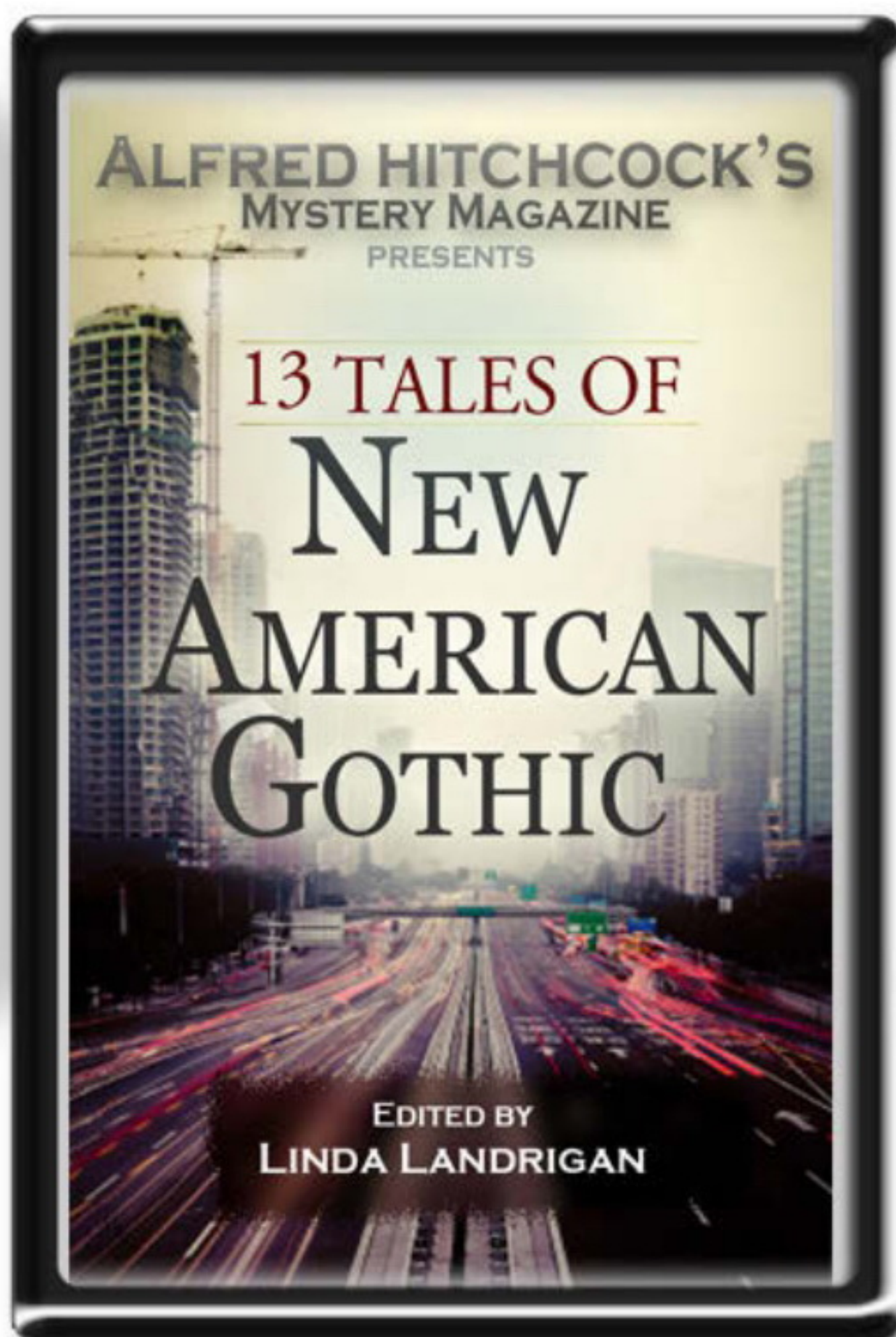
In this way, Dixon-Cooper and Walther explore each of the twelve houses via the intense dynamic of Pluto. Each house's benefits and conflicts become clear as they blend psychology, case histories, and astrological wisdom. Everyone has Pluto somewhere in the natal chart, and everyone has Pluto transiting through one of the twelve houses. *Harnessing Astrology's Bad Boy* is a well-written guide for beginners, especially as an introduction to the depth astrology can provide using just this one archetype. Intermediate and advanced astrologers will also treasure this book as a solid reference on Pluto through the houses and each of the Pluto generations.



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Traditional literature about chart comparisons has made people wary of a Saturn connection in a close relationship. The message has been that it does not bode happiness, that, on the contrary, extreme difficulty can be indicated, in whatever area one's Saturn is affecting another. A long-term study of very stable relationships indicates that the reverse is probably true. If you want a relationship to last, look for heavy Saturn contacts. Be prepared to work hard, experience a measure of struggle, and then find ultimate fulfillment. Without Saturn, no relationship will last over time. Saturn is the cement in the interaction between two people, for better or for worse, and oftentimes makes it last forever.



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When a new psychic archetype seizes hold of the collective unconscious, society changes in accordance with the will of this new "god." In the Aquarian Age, we are all acolytes of Uranus, the planetary ruler of the Aquarian Age. In order to understand the tremendous social repercussions of the Aquarian archetype on our world, we must look to the meanings of the zodiacal signs falling on the cusps of the twelve houses when Aquarius "rises" in the human subconscious.



When the sign animating the cusp of each house changes with each passing zodiacal age, the collective attitude toward that department of life also changes. As we will see, these changes can be for the good in some areas and for the bad in others.

Aquarius on the First House—The first house of a horoscope always carries an Aries connotation, meaning that the zodiacal archetype on the cusp of the first house will be avidly pursued and spontaneously generated. With Aquarius here, the world is now in pursuit (first house) of change and technological innovations and

discoveries (Aquarius). New ideas (Aquarius) are being generated (first house), and humanity is in hot pursuit of freedom and mental enlightenment (Aquarius). There is a flip side to Aquarius on the Ascendant, however. This sign is ruled by Uranus, the planetary archetype of ingenuity, freedom, and genius on the positive side, but also anarchy, instability, terror, and insanity on the negative side. The Aquarian Age is bound to manifest both the positive and negative poles of Uranus. We already see the generation (first house) of Aquarian informality in the social sphere, with people now dressing very casually, taking to the streets in shorts and T-shirts and bar-

ing as much flesh as possible. Older people are now routinely addressed by their first names by relative strangers. Such things were considered improper a couple of generations ago, but are customary today, courtesy of let-it-all-hang-out Aquarius. The Age of Aquarius will also see the avid pursuit (first house) of all that is odd, weird, and strange (Aquarius). We've already heard scientists talking seriously about head transplants and eighty-year-old first-time moms. Scientifically, almost anything will be possible in the freaky new world of Aquarius, but few will be concerned about the moral implications of the use of new technology. When Aquarius rises, expect half-baked and totally crazy ideas to be generated and taken seriously, as well as some amazingly innovative ones.

Pisces on the Second House—The second house always carries a Taurus-like significance, meaning that the qualities of the sign on its cusp will be resisted or rebuffed, for Taurus symbolizes an endless “putting-off” or stalling quality. With Pisces here, there is a great resistance (second house) to surrender and futility (Pisces) in the Aquarian makeup. Aquarius must rebel, must emancipate itself, and this sign refuses (second house) to surrender or relinquish (Pisces) its dreams of a better tomorrow. Pisces represents a willingness to suffer, to resign oneself to circumstances, and Aquarius deeply resists (second house) this attitude.

Aries on the Third House—The third house carries with it a Gemini-like significance. With Aries here, the Aquarian Age promises strong stimulation (Aries) of and identification (Aries) with the intellect (third house). The Aquarian Age will attempt to ignite (Aries) curiosity and stimulate (Aries) the objective mind (third house). The third house is concerned with objective perception, as opposed to the subjective or “inner” knowing ruled by the ninth house. Third-house stimulation brings in data, but

it is the ninth house that bestows wisdom. The third house rules all transference and transmission processes, so that information transfer (third house) has become more rapid (Aries) in the Aquarian Age. It is an age of immediate (Aries) information-getting (third house), for Aries hates to wait. The third house also rules all modes of transportation, and Aries here promises a “speeding up” in this department also, such as is manifested in the new “bullet trains.”

Taurus on the Fourth House—The fourth house symbolizes qualities that remain in the process of formation, qualities that could be said to be in an invisible, incorporeal, or “gestating” condition. There is a deep insecurity about these qualities, a strong naïveté concerning them, for they remain in an as yet undeveloped state. The sign on the fourth cusp symbolizes what is dormant or inactive in the nature. With Taurus here, the Age of Aquarius will bring a period of insecurity (fourth house) over the tangible and material (Taurus), an incorporealization or insubstantiation (fourth house) of the Taurus qualities of physicality and materiality. We see this with the lessened use of the actual physical symbols of wealth, such as gold, silver, and paper money. In the Aquarian Age, money (Taurus) will have all the substance of a thought-form or a passing electronic blip on a computer screen. Wealth (Taurus) will increasingly become incorporealized—implied but not outwardly visible. There is a much deeper significance to Taurus on the fourth house than many astrologers today are aware of. I am of the opinion that the sign of Taurus is ruled by the Earth itself, and not Venus, and this view is buttressed by the fact that “Earth Day” is always celebrated during the Sun's Taurus transit. One of the old occult meanings of the sign of Cancer and the fourth house is a “changeover” from an old to a new way of being, for the fourth house represents the “midnight

point” in a horoscope, when an old day ends and a new day begins. This is why many old astrological texts refer to Cancer as the sign of prophets, of those who herald what is yet to be. (For example, Gabriel, the Biblical angel of prophecy, is occultly known as “the angel of the Moon,” and the Catholic Church celebrates the feast day of John the Baptist or “John the Prophet” in late June. The author George Orwell, whose writings have proven uncannily prophetic, was also a Cancer native.) With Earth-ruled Taurus on the fourth-house cusp, it will indeed be a “New Age” for the Earth, for this placement symbolizes a changeover or cleavage process (fourth house) for our Earth (Taurus). Some occultists believe that the Earth will become a “spiritualized” planet during the Aquarian Age, for Cancer is one of the two signs of spiritual initiation (the other being Capricorn), and with Earth-ruled Taurus on the fourth house, the Earth will increasingly become a more spiritualized and incorporeal (fourth house) entity as the New Age evolves.

Gemini on the Fifth House—The sign on the fifth-house cusp signifies qualities that will be celebrated, magnified, extolled, and glorified by the Rising Sign. It is no surprise that the Age of Aquarius has been christened the “Information Age,” for Gemini on the fifth house promises a glorification (fifth house) of the mind and the process of information transfer (Gemini). In the Aquarian Age, mental (Gemini) recreation (fifth house) will be the norm, as we have seen since the advent of the Internet. There are darker sides to this cuspal placement, however. Gemini on the fifth promises a world age in which youth and brains (Gemini) are glorified (fifth house) to excess. There will be an extraordinary lack of depth (Gemini) to what is celebrated and enjoyed (fifth house) in the new age, for this position maximizes (fifth house) society’s interest in the trivial, the frivolous, and

the superficial (Gemini). This position promises an era in which juveniles (Gemini is ruled by Mercury, planet of youth) will be eroticized (the fifth house as ruler of amorous activities) in cultures worldwide—something we have already seen in many advertising campaigns. Gemini on the fifth house also ushers in a new age of comedy. The proliferation of comedians and comedy clubs in recent years is one sign of the Aquarian archetype gaining a foothold, for joking and laughter (Gemini) will be the emotional release (fifth house) of the new age.

Cancer on the Sixth House—The sixth house symbolizes qualities that are so lacking in the Rising Sign as to constitute an impediment or “handicap.” The Rising Sign’s deficiency in the qualities of the sixth-house sign is noticeable enough to reveal a “psychic shortage.” With Cancer on the sixth house, the Aquarian Age will exhibit a shortage (sixth house) in the Cancerian qualities of human intimacy, reflection, nurturing, sentimentality, and emotional connectedness. Cancer rules history and the past, and interest in history will be minimized (sixth house) in the Aquarian Age, for Aquarius is short-changed (sixth house) in the Cancerian qualities of memory and reflection. It is said that Aquarius is incapable of true one-to-one human intimacy and relates better to groups than individuals. Cancer on the sixth house always implies an insufficiency (sixth house) of feeling, of emotional depth and sensitivity (Cancer). As the nurturing and mothering (Cancer) function is decreased (sixth house) in society in the new age, the depth of the emotional bonds (Cancer) between individuals will shrink (sixth house) substantially. It could be said that the overwhelming Aquarian emphasis on the cerebral may lead to an era of emotional or soul (Cancer) starvation (sixth house).

Leo on the Seventh House—The seventh house symbolizes qualities that are

actively opposed by the Rising Sign, but unconsciously needed for psychic wholeness. With Leo on the seventh house, Aquarius opposes (seventh house) the Leo qualities of emotional demonstrativeness and personal supremacy. Aquarius actively contests (seventh house) “the divine right of kings” (Leo) or the exaltation of the individual over the group. In the world of the Aquarian, no one individual is allowed a monopoly on anything. We have seen this trend in some of today’s schools, where grading is being done away with, for no one individual is allowed to exhibit personal superiority by excelling (Leo) over others. In children’s sports today, even the losing side receives trophies, for the Aquarian archetype mandates “absolute equality” and is “at war” (seventh house) with the idea that some individuals are inherently superior (Leo) to others in certain areas. Leo is the sign of spiritual integration, of everything “pulling toward center,” while Aquarius represents fragmentation, fractures, splitting, or a “pulling away from center.” The danger of the Aquarian Age is a refusal to honor the Leo principle. If we oppose (seventh house) the wisdom of the heart (Leo), if we refuse to integrate and “pull together” (Leo), we will all fragment and be “pulled apart” (Aquarius). Honoring “diversity” (Aquarius) must ultimately lead to unity, or unanimity of will (Leo), or the result is social anarchy (Aquarius).

Virgo on the Eighth House—The eighth house symbolizes qualities the Rising Sign finds intolerable and seeks to eradicate. With Virgo here, the Aquarian Age will seek to eliminate (eighth house) work, tedium, accuracy, and predictability (Virgo). Virgo is the sign of schedules and routines and Aquarius is highly intolerant (eighth house) of routines and drudgery (Virgo). The Aquarian Age will seek to eliminate (eighth house) all predictability and monotony (Virgo) and will also try to do away with (eighth house) Virgo’s strict emphasis on precise accuracy and clarity.

Standards are bound to slip in every field during the new age. Virgo is also the sign of physical indisposition or illness and all that hinders, impedes, or dissatisfies. The Aquarian Age will attempt to eradicate (eighth house) illness (Virgo). After all, the motive for all Aquarian innovations has always been to do away with (eighth house) toil and a lack of ease (Virgo) in every area of life.

Libra on the Ninth House—It’s now called “moral relativism,” but astrologers know it better as Libra on the ninth-house cusp. The ninth house rules what we venerate, as well as moral issues and concerns. Since Libra has long been known as the sign that can’t quite make up its mind, can’t quite decide what it is for or against, it’s no surprise that as the Aquarian archetype gathers steam we have entered an era of moral (ninth house) indecisiveness (Libra). Libra on the ninth house translates simply into can’t decide (Libra) what is right or wrong (ninth house). As the Aquarian archetype strengthens its grip on the human subconscious, we are being urged to be “non-judgmental” (Libra) about the moral lapses of our fellow beings as well as ourselves, a predisposition not to have the temerity to “cast the first stone.” The ninth house rules judgment, but Libra, as the sign of the fall of the Sun, is weak-willed in this area. Libra prefers to come to no judgment at all, and would rather adopt a laissez-faire approach to things. The danger of Libra on the ninth-house cusp is that this sign is also the detriment of Mars, the planetary archetype of resolve and courage. Libra on the ninth house can easily translate into an era of moral (ninth house) cowardice (Libra)—the refusal to pass judgment or state an opinion (ninth house) because someone’s feelings might be hurt (Libra). The ninth house also rules religion. Since ancient times, the sign of Aries has been said to rule the Western world, while Libra is said to have dominion over the nations of the

East. With Libra on the ninth, it's no wonder that Buddhism is currently much in vogue, for the religions of the East will take precedence over those of the West during the Aquarian Age. The ninth house also rules education at the collegiate level. With the sign of Mars' detriment on the ninth-house cusp, we have entered an era in which intellectual (ninth house) muscle (Mars) is no longer required. The Libran tendency to "take the easy way out" has resulted in many universities "dumbing down" their standards, which is why so many of today's supposedly "educated" graduates are semiliterates. This trend is now quite noticeable in publishing, with many publications now routinely full of errors in punctuation, grammar, and syntax. At its best, Libra on the ninth venerates (ninth house) the concept of equality (Libra); at its worst, it demands very little vigor or courage from the higher functions of the mind.

Scorpio on the Tenth House—There is an old prophecy connected with the new age, promising that it will be a time when "all secret things will be made known." And this is the fundamental meaning of Scorpio on the tenth house. This house rules all that is "out in the open" or publicly known. Scorpio is the sign of secrecy and privacy, and privacy will be a very difficult thing to come by in the Aquarian Age. The positive side of Scorpio here is that many former mysteries concerning the occult side of life will be publicly revealed (tenth house). The negative side of Scorpio here is the likelihood that employers and the government (tenth house) will get into the prying and snooping (Scorpio) business. Surveillance cameras are already popping up everywhere, and, unfortunately, in the Aquarian Age, the eye of Orwell's famous "Big Brother," like the eye of God, will see and know all, for all things now private (Scorpio) shall be made public (tenth house).

Sagittarius on the Eleventh House—The eleventh house primarily rules the quali-

ties of "disengagement" and "detachment." A very detached attitude will be taken toward the sign on the cusp of this house, and its qualities will remain at the periphery (eleventh house) rather than the center (fifth house) of the field of consciousness. With Sagittarius here, the Aquarian Age will exhibit a quality of moral (Sagittarius) disengagement (eleventh house). Ethical concerns (Sagittarius) will remain at the periphery of awareness (eleventh house) in the Aquarian Age. On the positive side, we see an era of global (Sagittarius) friendship (eleventh house) and an ecumenical approach (eleventh house) to religious concerns (Sagittarius). There is a need here to look to groups (eleventh house) for guidance (Sagittarius), a sense that the law (Sagittarius) is what the group (eleventh house) says it is and one must hold the opinions (Sagittarius) sanctioned by the group.

Capricorn on the Twelfth House—The qualities of the sign falling on the twelfth house will be undermined, evaded, and avoided (twelfth house). With Capricorn here, we see that Aquarius seeks to undermine (twelfth house) all authority, rules, and regulations (Capricorn), to "dissolve" (twelfth house) all traditions (Capricorn) and escape (twelfth house) all restrictions (Capricorn). Capricorn is also the sign of father figures, just as Cancer represents mother figures, and the Aquarian Age may exhibit a tendency to banish (twelfth house) the disciplinary role of fathers (Capricorn) in society. Capricorn is also the sign ruling old people; in the new age, scientific advances may dissolve or banish (twelfth house) the aging process (Capricorn). Negatively, the Aquarian Age may seek to banish or exile (twelfth house) the elderly (Capricorn) from society, for there may be an urge to make what is old (Capricorn) disappear (twelfth house). In the Age of Aquarius, aging (Capricorn) is something to be evaded or avoided (twelfth house) at all costs, for only youth is celebrated

(Gemini on the fifth house). Capricorn is also the sign of walls and barriers, and these will all disappear (twelfth house) in the Age of Aquarius. We currently see this in architecture, with the advent of “open concept” or wall-less living spaces. Capricorn is known as the sign of formality and the “proper” way of doing things, and Aquarius seeks to undermine (twelfth house) formality (Capricorn) in dress, manners, speech, and social rituals. Capricorn represents discipline, accountability, duty, and the sense of personal responsibility. We could characterize the Aquarian Age as the age of avoiding, evading, or shirking (twelfth house) duty and responsibility. The dire social repercussions of this attitude will play themselves out in the new age. Capricorn is ruled by Saturn, the planet of censure, accountability, and punishment. Saturn is the planet of “no,” and signifies paying one’s dues and reaping the consequences of one’s actions. In the Age of Aquarius, there is

a collective desire to escape (twelfth house) the consequences (Capricorn) of our actions, to avoid (twelfth house) taking responsibility (Capricorn). We see this in the attitude of many parents today who shirk (twelfth house) their duty to discipline (Capricorn) their children, with the result that children no longer develop the ability to inhibit their impulses, to say “no” to themselves.

Each new world age has its positive and negative manifestations. We should keep in mind two major points about the new Aquarian Age: Gemini on the fifth house and Capricorn on the twelfth house. A world era that glorifies and celebrates (fifth house) youth and superficiality (Gemini) and does its best to evade (twelfth house) responsibility and maturity (Capricorn) will have social implications yet undreamed of by those who now see only the utopian aspects of the Aquarian archetype.



THE REALITY OF OUR ILLUSIONS: THE TRANSITS OF NEPTUNE

The glamour, illusions, and mirages that we create and confront each day lead to a personality dysfunction and disease that is at the core of both our materialistic confusion and many of our physical ills. I call this ailment "me-my-mine-itis," and it only begins to become treatable and eventually cured once we begin to live our lives centered in the heart and are able to see with all "three" of our eyes. When the horoscope is read from the soul-centered perspective, the Path to the opening of both Heart and Eye becomes

clearly revealed to the seeker of the truth of the Self.

—A.O.



Saturn and its frozen rings are symbolic of what the student of The Mysteries calls the astrological "ring-pass-not" of consciousness. This means that all the planets between and including the Sun and Saturn relate to the individual and the personality. Those planets outside of Saturn's orbit, known in astrological literature as "the globes of higher octave," relate to that which is more soul-centered and collective in nature. In order to personalize the effects of these three bodies (Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto), one has to pass through the realm of personality (centered in the solar plexus and thus egocentric in quality) and into the realm of the soul (centered in the heart and thus inclusive and impersonal in quality).

It is true that these three higher-octave planets can work on the personality level, but their effects do not bring us into soul consciousness. The lower nature of Uranus, for example, when strong in the natal chart, conditions the behavior of a person so that he or she is quirky, individualistic, rebellious, and, whether they like it or not, part of the "herd consciousness" of a humanity that he or she often rejects. I will never forget meeting a young Uranus-ruled Aquarius lady at a social gathering. We were indoors and she was wearing a hoody with the head covering raised. "I'm very unusual," she said. Yes, that was true, but her statement was centered in the personal ego and not in the soul. A Uranus-ruled, soul-centered Aquarian is an individualized soul who functions on collective, humanitarian, and conscious levels to bring forth unity of higher purpose in any and all group dynamics.

A person dominated by Pluto functioning within Saturn's "ring-pass-not" of the personality is a person who craves pow-

er over others and is highly manipulative and willful in order to fulfill his or her personal and separatist goals and ambitions. Such an egocentric being will use the powers of destruction not to regenerate what is better for the collective, but to bring added benefit only to him or herself. In contrast, Pluto on the level of the soul destroys in order to bring a greater and more refined wholeness and strengthens the Will-to-Good of both the individual and the collective of which one serves and is a part.

And what of Neptune? On the level of the personality, Neptune joins with the Moon at the solar plexus (navel point) to create the sensations coming through the emotional nature of one's feelings and desires. This is the illusion and confusion that comes from a life centered in the "I-wants, I-needs, I-feels" of the personality and whose waters are therefore totally muddied by separatism and exclusivity. At its basic biological level, such a way of relating to life is based on fear of lack, expresses itself through victimization, and suffers from the symptom of "never having enough." This has been called by a number of writers, myself included, the "Imelda Marcus Syndrome." This amazingly rich and powerful Cancerian lady had three thousand pairs of shoes (and counting!) because until she was seven years old, she went shoeless. There is only passion for personally conceived satisfaction; true objective compassion will have to wait until the heart opens.

In both esoteric and traditional astrology, Neptune is said to be exalted in Cancer. This dynamic reinforces the deep connection that Neptune has with the Moon. When this exaltation acts on the level of the personality, Neptune in Cancer or Neptune in major aspect with the Moon in any birth-chart exaggerates the glamour and illusions of the astral plane. This produces false psychic perception and enlarges personal feelings to a size that obscures the perception of how other people really feel. Neptune/Moon, when centered

in the solar plexus, also brings about an exaggerated sense of tribalism and may easily overwhelm a person with mother and family complexes and complexities.

When, however, we examine the effects of Neptune in Cancer and/or Neptune/Moon configurations in the natal chart from the level of the soul, an entirely different quality of energy emerges. The individual embodies compassion and seeks to feed the physically and/or psychically hungry. The relationship is not to a tribe but rather to a deep sense of commitment to the Human Family. Psychic perceptions are taken from a perch that sees through a glass-bottom boat into the emotional levels of both individuals and nations. The lens of the Eye of Synthesis (the Third Eye) is coated with unconditional love, making such an individual totally inclusive and without prejudices of any sort. (This does not mean that such a person acts indiscriminately—on the contrary!) Most importantly, there is an intimate connection and identification not with one's mommy, but with The Divine Mother, whose Essence embraces but is not limited by the biological karma of either one's birth mother or one's tribe, race, or ethnicity.

There is one other phrase within the body of the Wisdom Teachings found in esoteric astrology that I would like to discuss. We have all been taught that Neptune is the veil and that the Sun expresses pure radiance. But what of the ancient statement that tells us just the reverse, that from the level of the personality, the Sun veils Neptune? The Sun has three levels of radiation: the physical body of the Sun (the vitality found in all the forms found on the physical plane and which energizes the human personality), the Heart of the Sun/Son (the Soul), and the Spiritual Sun.

This third is known as the Monad and may be partially defined as the nucleus of Divine Light found in the center of each individual. This Light is brought into human consciousness producing Self-real-

ization through the process of individuation—or initiation, as it is also called. The Monad is also referred to as “The Jewel in the Lotus,” and it is by this name that it is probably best known to the reader. It is the exoteric physical body of the Sun that is veiling the true “higher octave” of Neptunian energy. This is the Love of the Christ/Krishna/Soul Force. Let us remember that Venus, Goddess of Love, was born adult and whole rising out of Father Neptune’s ocean. Thus it is the separatist desires and egocentric, immature, emotional nature that obscures this Greater Divine Love from our awareness. Once the physical Sun, as ruler of the personality, ceases to energize the illusory nature of Neptune and instead the Heart of the Sun begins to nurture the waters of this planet, our emotional nature is made sacred. Our waters (the astral body) are now a fit vehicle for blessings and baptism. It is then that Neptune reveals itself as an expression of both the Christ and His Mother, and we move through life as agents of healing and wholeness.

Now let’s briefly explore the function of Neptune as it transits the planets of the natal chart. We should keep several things in mind as we explore these various planetary combinations:

1. Neptune takes about 14 years to transit each of the 12 signs, as its solar orbit is 164.79 years. When we consider that Neptune is retrograde about half the time, a Neptune transit of a particular point in the horoscope can last about two years.
2. Neptune will have a more potent influence on one’s life if the natal Sun, Moon, or Ascendant is in Pisces or if Neptune is conjunct the Ascendant or the Midheaven.
3. If Neptune is in natal aspect to the four major angles, the luminaries, or any planet and—by transit—“touches” the same point or planet that it connects with in the natal chart, that transit will

also be quite important. Example: Natal Neptune conjunct the Sun in Cancer and the current transit of Neptune in Pisces trines that natal conjunction, thus emphasizing its meaning in one’s life.

Neptune/Sun: Neptune dissolves. When it touches the Sun, it dissolves the sense of the separated self. There will be the tendency for the individual to feel very alienated from life in general and to move into a period of withdrawal and greater solitude. If the person is of a more spiritual nature, he or she will experience a progressive sense of identification with the “life supernal,” marking a period of the expansion of love and compassion. If this is not the case, this gradual dis-identification with the ego can lead to fear and panic or a retreat into drugs or other addictions. Bottom line: illusion or illumination; greater identification with finding Oneself or a tendency to lose oneself in addictions and mirages. Quote from a young Pisces student of mine: “I want to lose myself in love!” In response, my strident Aries voice rang out: “You idiot! You do not want to lose yourself in love. You want to find yourself in Love.”

Neptune/Moon: Dear readers, kindly refer back to the body of this article where I write at length about the Moon and Neptune. Bottom line: Either an increase in one’s true path of nurturing or great illusions come to the fore regarding the nature of personal emotions and needs. Recent quote from a young lady friend of my secretary who said in reference to her current suffering about her boyfriend: “But you cannot lie to your feelings.” I told my assistant to mention to his friend: “But your feelings can lie to you.”

Neptune/Mercury: This transit when positive can indicate a time for great and profound perceptions into the heart of any matter. It can also open the door to mystical or occult studies, as well as to the writing of poetry, novels, and lyrics. When

challenging, this can be a time of self-deceit or deception coming from others. It is also a period when that ancient saying “To thine own self be true” may never be truer. At that time, if the transit is a helpful one, the individual may just discover a “greater truth.”

Neptune/Venus: “When I fall in love, it will be forever/Or I’ll never fall in love” are the opening lines of a song I first heard in the 1950s. I believe it was in a romantic Hollywood war film produced in Technicolor. Difficult Neptune/Venus transits definitely mean deception and illusions surrounding love and/or money.

Neptune transiting in conjunction, square, inconjunction, or opposition to your natal Venus would not be a good time to enter into a business relationship with someone with whom you also have a romantic interest. Even a positive transit could prove nebulous if the natal relationship between these two planets were connected by hard aspect. Conjunctions give very intense periods of “falling in love” that often result in “falling into illusions.” On the other hand, positive aspects between the two (especially if they are positively connected in the natal map) give wonderful experiences in the arts and/or with artistic people—and, yes, the opportunity for deeply romantic relationships. With any aspect of Neptune, I would trust an ancient “Okenism”: Always keep one toe out of the astral bathtub!

Neptune/Mars: Battles based on the dubious ethics of martyrdom and overly feverish, devoted attitudes toward religion should be avoided at any time but especially with a difficult Neptune-to-Mars transit. The positive aspects can serve as “knives in the water”—cutting through the dross of illusions to get at the truth of any situation. Neptune/Mars, when positive, also helps to point one in the correct direction to satisfy our urge to be of help to others. A balance can be and has to be reached between giving of oneself to

some greater cause and not having a self to give.

Neptune/Jupiter: When positive this is like finding oneself in an ancient hall of learning or in a beautiful library filled with sacred texts that you can also understand! It is a time when personal ideals can be raised up to a level of merging into ones that are far more universal. When negative, this combination creates addictions to false idols, be they religions, philosophies, or people who pose as hierophants and priests but who are deceitful or just plain wrong. The challenge is that one is seeking to belong to some path that supports one’s ideals no matter how illusionary they may be.

Neptune/Saturn: These two planets are very antithetical. Saturn seeks to consolidate and define, while Neptune seeks to diffuse and dissolve. The transiting sextile or trine between the two helps us to perceive the nebulous and secret. This is thus a fine aspect to have if one is doing laboratory research or needs to create the practical structure for a film, ballet, or artistic venture. In relationships, these positive contacts allow us to see where our illusions surround another person and/or the relationship itself. The square or opposition makes it very difficult to separate the real from the ideal. In relationships, be they romantic or business, it is difficult to sense or create firm boundaries. Neptune conjoined Saturn can be very helpful for dissolving false walls that separate us from those with whom or that with which we want most to connect. On the other hand, it makes it nearly impossible to impose correct boundaries in matters associated with Saturn’s natal house position. Please keep in mind that transiting conjunctions are “variable aspects.” Understanding them requires a good knowledge of astrological synthesis. Hint: Know the nature of planets and how these natures shift when merged.

Neptune/Uranus: We now enter into

the realm of higher-octave planets aspecting one another. Here, so much has to do with the generational implications. For example, I was born in 1944 when Neptune was trine Uranus in Libra and Gemini, respectively. This gave me, and so many others of my generation, a very open attitude to the transcendental, and hence we were the “Flower Power” kids of the 1960s. This transcendental perspective has remained with me and so many others (now in our late 60s and early 70s) and has produced one of the coolest groups of grandparents ever seen on this planet! It also produced a lot of disillusioned, older people whose dreams of a free-love utopia dissolved and a lot of rather stoned older people who regularly go to Colorado or Amsterdam for “medical reasons.” When Neptune moved by transit from Sagittarius through Pisces, aspecting both its own place and that of Uranus, it gave many opportunities (regardless of aspect, as the natal one between the two is a trine) for spiritual advancement and the development of consciousness. Those who were able to take these opportunities are considered “wise elders” now. The others are just stoned old folks. The following group, with natal Neptune in Libra square Uranus in Cancer, and the one following that, with Neptune in Scorpio square Uranus in Leo, also have a strong feeling about the transcendental, multi-dimensional nature of life, but generally have had a more difficult time bringing personal definition to these energies, both in terms of the natal positions and the transits of Neptune to them.

Neptune/Neptune: Neptune in Capricorn was square to the Neptune-in-Libra generation and then trine to Neptune when it transited Aquarius. The Capricorn-Libra square put a strain on relationships and a strong tone of practical reality, as the Neptune-in-Libra generation is—in my view—super-idealistic about relationships and the “someday my prince/princess/soul-

mate will come” ethos. The Neptune-in-Sagittarius generation is currently getting hit by a square from transiting Neptune in Pisces. This has resulted in the ideals underlying the wars of religious intolerance that plague our times, as so many leaders of these terrorist groups are of an age to have natal Neptune in Sagittarius. Many of the younger Neptune-in-Capricorn group, born from the late 1980s to mid-1990s, also have Uranus in Capricorn, while the 1988-90 group have Saturn in Capricorn and Pluto in Scorpio as well. This group, when militant, will seek to annihilate existing governmental structures—and replace them with themselves! The current transit of Neptune sextile the Capricorn placements and trine natal Pluto in Scorpio brings this group into manifestation as a generation or group of generations, and the result is what you see on CNN. I will at some point write an article elaborating upon these generational commentaries.

Neptune/Pluto: Neptune’s transits to Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto in general will do very little on individual levels of personal consciousness, as the majority of people cannot objectify and individuate these higher energy fields; they can only be collectively affected by them. As I have briefly pointed out in the previous paragraphs, such transits of higher-octave planets to their natal positions express as generational forms of manifestation, affecting the movement of collective consciousness over that of the individual. Those who can respond personally to these planetary movements will find that these transits help them to become further individuated in terms of social participation (Uranus), spiritual recognition (Neptune), and creative-power potentials (Pluto). The transiting squares and oppositions of higher-octave bodies to natal higher-octave planets augur the tests and trials that the development of consciousness requires, while the transiting sextiles and trines bring the just rewards for such efforts. Transiting Neptune to natal Pluto

(currently Neptune in Pisces trine Pluto in Scorpio, square Pluto in Sagittarius, and sextile to Pluto in Capricorn) can do much to help a person penetrate into the nature of higher awareness, but to the children of the Middle East, Africa, and in too many streets and schools in the United States, this awakening to the collective nature of life is, so sadly, happening as a result of death and destruction, wars and pestilence. "And this too shall pass..."

Next month: The transits of Pluto: Transmute or Die!



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Ask any garbage collector; look at the trash someone throws out and, over time, you'll be able to tell everything about them. Pretty scary, huh? Or, if you're beyond fear, pretty revealing. Very simply, Pluto can be compared to the trash can of the zodiac. Its placement in our charts indicates an area that we ultimately want to get rid of, are embarrassed by, or don't want to deal with directly. However, when we have the courage to face the meaning of Pluto in our charts and begin to use it positively, when we know what we're "throwing out" and don't care who sees it, a whole new awareness of life opens up for us.



Sun-Sign BFF!

What's Your Approach to Friendship?

by NANCY FREDERICK

It's not something you often hear, but among my blessings I count Twitter. Five years ago, when I first began tweeting, it was the new, cool thing, and my plan was to use it professionally. That did work out, but something far more important, far more in the blessings realm, occurred: I met the most beloved friends of my entire life. I found people, spread across the country, and even the world, that I'd count as soulmates, homemakers mostly, and the sort of friends you meet and instantly adore, knowing in your heart that there is an unbreakable bond between you.



I'm not saying that everyone I met on Twitter became a bosom buddy, no. And, of course, there are collections of celebs there, too, and the foodies I adore—TV chefs and cookbook writers who've become casual pals through fun and often-funny interactions. I'm talking about our core group of best pals who've evolved into a sort of sorority. We dubbed ourselves the Tweetettes. We're in America, Canada, the UK, and, amazingly, we like similar furnishings, love to cook, and we share in each other's milestones. There

have been weddings, births, deaths, illnesses, and family crises, but mostly there have been good conversations, greeting cards and gifts, sympathy and understanding—and, more than anything else, there has been love.

Some in our group have actually traveled all across the ocean to meet in person, and we all have "oohed" and "ahhed" to see the pictures of the never-met but well-loved faces, in the same room, eating sponge cake or hugging, emotions hanging high like a sweet fog. When the

very first person I met on Twitter, Phil, came to Los Angeles with his lovely wife and two teen kids, we spent the day together, lunching al fresco, strolling, shopping, talking and laughing, and it was as though we'd known each other all our lives.

One of the many great things about knowing my beloved Tweetettes is witnessing their lives and the happy marriages they all have in common. I've rarely met people so happily mated, and from them I've learned a lot about the secrets of making love last—being a loving person who's mellow and accepting—and of finding the joy in everyday moments.

I will say that there's no purpose for us to be together, but somehow we have met and have formed a bond that is defined by only one thing—love. We love each other. We recognize something in each other that connects to our hearts, and that's where we hold each other, year in and year out. Even if we're never face-to-face in the same room, I know we will always be friends. We love and support each other, wish the best for each other, listen to each other, respect each other, and worry about each other. It's what friendship is all about.

Remember *I Love Lucy*? In that iconic scene where Lucy and Ethel were set to perform a number together on stage honoring their long-standing friendship, horror of horrors, they appeared in the same dress. Tolerate this? Never! The music played, "*Friendship, friendship, it's the perfect blendship. When other friendships have been forgot, ours will still be hot....*" At first they sang congenially, but gradually they began picking at each other's clothes, plucking off a flower here, a bow there. Finally, they both ended the song looking like ragamuffins. Eventually, they apologized. That would never happen with the Tweetettes. We're better friends than that. And I don't think any of us sings!

The great thing about friendship is that it is love not muddled by chemistry. You can fall madly in love with a paramour, have a blow up, and never want to see each other again. With friends, it's all ros-

es and no hurled crockery. You don't try to make friends into someone else because you love them perfectly, just as they are. That's what makes you friends.

When my daughter was small, I'm pretty sure I read her *Winnie the Pooh*, but you know I'm not positive of that. I just know that A. A. Milne is the source of my favorite quote of all time, something that applies to friendship and to love: *If you live to be 100, I hope I live to be 100 minus 1 day, so I never have to live without you.* That to me is the essence of love, to want to be with the person, to share your moments, to know that right beside you is this warm and tender presence, always there—if not in person, then in your heart.

But what is your approach to friendship, and does Milne have a phrase that encapsulates you? Let's see.

As soon as I saw you, I knew a grand adventure was about to happen. Well, Aries, doesn't that about sum it up for you? The people you most adore are the ones with whom you can share the best of times. Finding someone with whom to sit around and commiserate isn't really on your list. You'd rather be out in the world doing exciting things and sharing those adventures with someone who loves them as much as you do. Tea parties are less enthralling, even if the guests have many interesting things to say. Instead, you see yourself with a group of passionate people, going down the rapids, navigating the course of a race-track—or, okay, playing golf or tennis. The thing about the people whose company you choose most often to enjoy is that you may not know the details about them all that well. You're not here to produce a dossier, after all, but rather to live life on the edge, savoring every moment and remembering the things you do, the things you do together. Even if you have a collection of happy friend photos snapped over the years, they usually depict you in the middle of activities. "Here we are doing...here we are at...here we are seeing." You're never just on the couch holding hands or playing Scrabble.

Perhaps there's even a sense of good-natured competition between yourself and your besties. Who will win the coveted such-and-such trophy this year? Even if it's just some dopey papier-mâché item produced in grade school, it has significance and can be one of the threads that entwines you in long-lasting friendship. If you encounter a crisis, you may not think to open up to your friends but rather expect a spouse to deal with this burden with or for you, although you'll probably be willing to loan or give money to a buddy in fiscal ruin. Friendship is a source of happy feelings, congenial interaction, much more than heavy emotions. As we said, it's all about the adventures.

It is more fun to talk with someone who doesn't use long, difficult words but rather short, easy words like, "What about lunch?"

Yes, **Taurus**, there's no question that fine dining, or simple dining, or even just grabbing a hot dog, is part of the central equation in your friendship module. I know a **Taurus** who said that most of the memories of her best relationships occurred at a table and were defined by all the good food that had been shared. Eating together produces a sort of natural intimacy in which it's comfortable to open up and to share thoughts and feelings, even a few confessions. It just adds another layer of nourishment to the situation. If you're both miserable over love gone wrong, you can binge together. If you're in the flourish of a new love, you can double date together, ordering family style or nibbling off more than just two plates. If you're both part of a couple you can host dinner parties, have an excuse to buy something nice to wear, and share delicious food in your beautiful homes. At the bottom of all this may well be gluttony,

but there's really more to it, for at the heart of it all is the desire to celebrate the beauty and pleasure of life, and to have someone alongside you who appreciates what you do to taste it. That sigh of pleasure is deeply magnified when someone else emits it as well; and your food tastes even better when a friend moans in appreciation. You'll certainly take yourself out for a meal or a treat, but strolling beside someone who knows and

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appreciates you, who says, "No, you don't look fat in that," or perhaps, "Well, just eat fewer carbs tomorrow," makes life more meaningful, and if you're breaking a diet, you don't feel like a slob with no self-control for stopping for a cupcake when you're stopping with a friend. Just like in the movie *The Big Chill*, you like sharing a big meal with a group of pals it seems you've

always known. You can't make a turkey for just one. Friendships celebrate the special moments in life and that's why food is always there.

You can't stay in your corner of the forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes. There's no question, **Gemini**, that your best life is all about being out in the world and interacting, and nothing stops you from striking up a conversation with interesting people, even if they're just strangers standing in the supermarket checkout line. You want to connect, and you don't feel shy about walking up to a stranger and having a chat. How else can you find the friends who are perfect for you, right now, today? Yes, of course, you're sentimental, and you would like your friends to remain in your life forever, but you do seem constantly to attract new people, and they

match your life the way colors describe a period in an artist's career. It's his "blue period," or her "pink period." In your case, it's about finding the people who share your current interests and passions, for you know only too well that those interests won't be around forever. You change too quickly and you're on the move, physically and intellectually. If an interest ties you to someone—such as making pottery, well, perhaps you'll develop an intellectual or emotional bond that extends beyond the clay, but more likely it is that once you've moved on out of the pottery studio to mall power walking or an online book club, that friendship could wane and you'll be happier spending your time with the people who reflect your right-now interests. Such is life. You know this and you accept it. Sometimes you do find someone with whom you just click, and, year after year, even if it's only once a year, you manage to sit down and have one of those marathon chats that you both love so much. Whether you catch up on personal matters or talk about the ideas that are currently on your mind, it's like Ping-Pong, and you each return the other's serve so perfectly that it feels just right. In your case, friendship is always about the talking, the sharing of what's on your mind. Sitting silently side-by-side may work for toddlers who haven't developed the gift of speech yet, but it will never be your criterion for friendship. Yours is the love of the mind—offered, shared, and received.

Promise me you'll never forget me because if I thought you would, I'd never leave. Yes, **Cancer**, your idea of friendship begins in grammar school and extends to the funeral of one or the other of you. "Together forever" is your goal. Like those high-school girls who plan to marry best friends, live next door to each other, grow old together, and have their children marry, you want to know it's more than just love at first sight, but a bond that will stand the test of time. You adore the idea of having a mutual scrapbook of memo-

ries with someone who will know what you're talking about when you say, "Hey, remember old Mrs. Goosebump, our science teacher?" You want that friend to laugh at your unspoken jokes and to validate the memories you hold so dear because that friend also holds them dearly. In good times or bad, you want to know that person is there to hold your hand, especially if you're frightened or alone, so that you feel safe and nurtured. You feel that a friend is someone with whom you can share anything, all your secrets, and even some terrible stuff most people would rather others not know. You believe in intimacy with your friends, and even on days when you'd rather not discuss feelings, you know a friend will respect that and sit beside you, pat you on the back, dry your tears, or bake you cookies. No matter how big a family you have, there's always room at your table for some close friends, and this becomes even more important if your family is small. You just want to feel that, like a favorite toy when you were a child, your friend is there for you to hold and snuggle and to make you feel loved and appreciated.

If there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart. I'll stay there forever. You have a long memory, **Leo**, and you love the idea of keeping your friends forever. Facebook was made for people like you who remember schoolmates and want to reconnect with them. When you love someone, you hold onto those warm and cuddly feelings and you hope they do, too. You can happily spend solitary moments recalling events from the past and how fun it all was. And you enjoy seeing the photos your old classmates post online. That's not to say that you avoid new people, for, of course, you do not. You're a very social person, and interacting with exciting (and nicely dressed) people is one of your primary sources of fun. The more glittery a friend is, the better you like it. If in some way your pal is a celeb—fabulous! But that doesn't mean you yearn to spend your time in the compa-

ny of those who are mere acquaintances, for, no, you want a group of people with whom you have built long-standing ties that endure happily over time. And as much as you love thinking about the people in your life, you want to know that they're thinking about you as well, that they're remembering how wonderful you are and how special you are to them—not to mention how good looking! Good feelings and good thoughts that are held onto over time and shared give you a positive sense of community and well-being, and they feel like your reward for all the kindnesses you've done for the people you love, as well as all the fantastic parties you've thrown.



Without other people to share in your blessings, life would shimmer far less brightly, and you wouldn't want that.

If the person you are talking to doesn't appear to be listening, be patient. It may simply be that he has a small piece of fluff in his ear. As critical as you may be, **Virgo**, the truth is that for your friends you cut a lot of slack. Because you know that most people are tottering along on the edge between half-asleep and totally incompetent, you avoid contact often, for as soon as you see a crisis, you'll feel obliged to intervene. With friends, it's different. You choose as your friends people whom you admire and who seem to live up to your own high standards. That way, you can take a breath in their company and not assume you'll be forced to repaint their bathroom. Also with a true friend, you don't just give advice, but also accept it, for this person has a perspective you can respect. Thus, if something seems amiss, you won't just assume, "Okay, another dummy," but will instead think that your friend has something else going on and

will soon return to normal. Being able to respect someone and allow a few frailties is very liberating for you. You like to be able to share similar outlooks and points of view, and even if you disagree, you can say to yourself, "Okay, that's another possibility" rather than, "Eek, whatta jerk!" Tolerance is a very important lesson for you to learn, and it's a difficult one, because you spend so much time trying to decide on the perfect idea, perfect solu-

tion, or perfect choice that it's rather liberating to allow someone else to have ideas, choices, and solutions that may be different from your own, and sometimes with a friend you discover that you like their ideas even better than

yours. That's a thrill because it brings new possibilities into your life, and good possibilities. With your friends you appreciate their unique qualities, their foibles, and even their flaws, for nobody knows better than you that we all have them. You're willing to give as much as is needed, and amazingly you discover that so are they. You get back as much as you give, and that is the happiest instance of all because it means that you can relax and enjoy the company of someone who doesn't need you, but just loves you.

I was walking along looking for somebody, and then suddenly I wasn't anymore. Finding a significant other is always your goal, **Libra**, and a friend is another who is truly significant. You like to be with people most of the time, if not all the time, and a friend is someone with whom you have deeply insightful conversations and excellent shopping adventures. A friend will stroll with you through that antique mall and stop willingly to examine those treasures that might not interest anyone



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else—or even your friend, but your pal will murmur appreciatively and not make you feel rushed. Then you'll have a nice lunch and discuss life in all its complexities. If your lover leaves you, a friend will say what a terrible sub-human being your ex is and will promise that shortly you will meet someone better. A friend might even fix you up. And if you date your friend's ex, your pal will decide it's okay, even if someone like me says it isn't. Although you have no shortage of acquaintances, and on pretty much any given day you can in short order have someone around to share whatever you're in the mood to do,

the best friends are the ones who linger in your heart, who make your life better and more meaningful, and whose company is just so nourishing that it's as good as having a cupcake. You hope to maintain your close friendships all your life, but if you end up moving away or other changes disrupt your ability to be physically close, you will find a new set of best pals, and one who is the best of all. It's just who you are, someone who has the knack for closeness and who yearns for a tender presence always by your side.

Some people care too much. I think it's called love. Without a doubt, **Scorpio**, your affections run deep, and casual encounters are not what you truly need. You need soulmates, people who are your closest and best allies, people you adore and trust. Although you are a sexual person, and sometimes you do think that friends-with-benefits is a good idea, you recognize the difference between a friend and a lover. Sometimes. In truth, the degree of passion you have for the people you love is pretty similar—off the charts—and when you have those feelings for someone, anything can happen. Maybe you end up keeping as a friend someone who once was a spouse, although your tendency toward jealousy would tend to make this difficult because if you don't want them nobody else should have them, either. What you really want in your life is a couple of good friends, one best friend, and your family. For you that's plenty, because it gives you the loving attention you need without wasting your time and energy on talk about the weather. You really want to be there for the people you love, and if a friend is in trouble you will stand there, side-by-side, in battle if need be, willing to take on any enemy and defeat them. You take friendship as seriously as you do life, and it means so much to you to know you can call someone on the phone, say you need this or that, and the answer will always be yes. Like my Scorpio dad, who gave his savings for college to his best

pal, you will sometimes sacrifice your own needs for those of a friend. And that person will be in life until death, like my “Uncle” Danny, who completed college because of my dad’s generosity and was a family friend from my childhood and on past my dad’s death. That’s what it is to be a friend—the same “till death us do part” vow we make for marriage.

If ever there is tomorrow when we’re not together, there is something you must always remember: You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. But the most important thing is, even if we’re apart...I’ll always be with you. A positive outlook, **Sagittarius**, is one of the many things you share with your friends. You have an uncanny ability to believe in other people, and your friends are the best in your opinion. You see the light shining from their hearts and feel blessed to have these people in your life. Likewise, you are a beacon of encouragement for your friends. When down in the dumps, you can be counted on to give them a bit of humor, some kindness, or an invitation to go on a healing nature walk. You’re a social person, and you enjoy good company of all sorts. Always ready to make room for one more in your life, you enjoy meeting new people, and sometimes they become great friends. You do realize that not all friends are created equal, although you would like it if they were. There are the casual, fun acquaintances you see at social gatherings, and you love being with them. But there are also the “best of the best friends,” the pals of your bosom, in whose life you are deeply invested and on whose couch you could crash for months on end without an eyebrow being raised. Your friends accept who you are, give advice if asked, don’t resent it when the advice is not taken, and if you make a mistake, they shrug it off and hold you in their hearts anyway. You take the same approach. You don’t have a list of rules of conduct, just the need to share your

life with people who inspire those warm feelings of joy and trust.

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard. Being a serious person, **Capricorn**, you don’t seek many frivolous encounters. In fact, you may build most of your friendships at work, and that way you’re hanging out with people whose priorities, interests, and determination match your own. Despite all that and your reputation for work over all else, in your heart you want some close ties, people you can love for the rest of your life. Obviously, you want a family, for, without that, where is the meaning of life? But you also want some close friends who understand you and who are interesting people of whom you approve. You want to look back over your life when you’re old and see that it’s been worthwhile, that you’ve made memories that sustain you in good times and bad, and that there have been people who’d stand behind you no matter what, people on whom you could always count. To you that is the sum and total of a successful life. You are actually quite sentimental, and you are loyal as well, qualities that are sought after by friends. The key, of course, is getting out of your own way. When someone you like invites you to socialize, don’t make it clear that working on a weekend is more of a priority than their wedding. That’s not the way to build that network of love and devotion that you’d like to have. Learning to put other people first is a difficult lesson, but once learned you see the value of it because you get back what you give. If you can sustain a close friendship all your life, it’s a lot of fun to look back at all those memories when you’re geezers together, sitting on a porch, watching generations of whippersnappers frolic on the lawn. At that point you may still be dreaming about that big deal you pulled off, and if so, your pal will be happy to remember it all with you.

Weeds are flowers too, once you get to

know them. You're known to be a bit of an eccentric, **Aquarius**, but there's nothing wrong with that. You know what you like and who you like, and nothing is more important to you than the bonds you forge yourself. Never mind your family, even if you're very close. Yours is the sign of friendship, and that's because you bond most closely with your buddies. Something just happens internally when you connect with the people who are right for you. It feels comforting, but also as though you've joined some sort of magical club in which everyone fits and nurtures each other. "You and me against the world" is your motto, and it really feels as though that's precisely how it is. Other people may not get why someone is your best friend for decades; they may see the person as a flake—but you know what's what, and you know how you feel. Friendship just makes sense to you, and it's a lot easier to build than romance, perhaps because it's built on intellectual compatibility and some inner essence that just fits, not a case of the hots. You love your friends as though they're family members and they're welcome in your home at all hours, for months on end if need be, and if you have what they need, you're willing to share without a question asked. You appreciate their inner individuality and you love that they see you for who you are and appreciate you as well.

I think we dream so we don't have to be apart for so long. If we're in each other's dreams, we can be together all the time. You're always a beautiful dreamer, **Pisces**, but your tender heart is a wonderful asset where friends are concerned. You find it easy to love, whether it's a mate, a family member, or your friends. You want the best for them and will do all you can to pitch in and help. If someone you know is hurting, you really want to be at the ready with a band-aid, even if they never fully explain the problem, because you don't care if you don't know details, as long as your hearts connect. When you're alone, sometimes you rest and replenish yourself, but often

you feel lonely for the company of someone whose heart feels like a cozy nest. If you can talk and laugh with a best pal, life gets put to rights, and any problems that exist seem less overwhelming. With someone who has faith in you, you can move mountains, and a friend's love helps you have more faith in yourself. Your doubts vanish and you can be all that you want to be because you know someone else knows you can do it. You like the quiet moments you can share with each other, even if you say little. You also like the good and lively conversation. But the truth is, you're connecting below the surface, heart-to-heart, with your friends, and that's the way it was always meant to be. It's fun for you to entertain friends, or to have a bestie come over and help you with the chores of entertaining. If you cook together, set a table together, even hide the clutter together, there are laughs all along the way. Being part of something bigger than yourself is what friendship is to you, and it's always wonderful to experience. No matter how much you love a mate, having one who is also a best friend is most important to you. Lust fades, but love endures, and friendship can last forever.



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2nd	F	Venus	636	326	116	826	616	106	996	686	976	366	756	146
3rd*	S	Saturn	638	328	118	828	618	108	998	688	978	368	758	148
4th	Su	Sun	641	331	121	811	621	111	901	691	981	371	761	151
5th	M	Moon	647	337	127	817	627	117	907	697	987	377	767	157
6th*	T	Mars	649	339	129	819	629	119	909	699	989	379	769	159
7th	W	Mercury	655	345	135	825	615	125	915	605	995	385	775	165
8th*	Th	Jupiter	653	343	133	823	613	123	913	603	993	383	773	163
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17th	S	Saturn	698	388	178	868	658	148	938	628	918	328	718	108
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22nd*	Th	Jupiter	613	303	193	883	673	163	953	643	933	323	713	123
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24th*	S	Saturn	628	318	108	898	688	178	968	658	948	338	728	118
25th	Su	Sun	611	321	111	801	691	181	971	661	951	341	731	121
26th*	M	Moon	617	327	117	807	697	187	977	667	957	347	737	127
27th	T	Mars	629	319	129	819	609	199	989	679	969	359	749	139
28th*	W	Mercury	625	315	125	815	605	195	985	675	965	355	745	135
29th	Th	Jupiter	633	323	113	823	613	103	993	683	973	363	753	143
30th	F	Venus	636	326	116	826	616	106	996	686	976	366	756	146
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Legend for the symbols: ♈ Aries, ♉ Taurus, ♊ Gemini, ♋ Cancer, ♌ Leo, ♍ Virgo, ♎ Libra, ♏ Scorpio, ♐ Sagittarius, ♑ Capricorn, ♒ Aquarius, ♓ Pisces

YOUR LOVE MONEY HEALTH



by MICHELLE PERRIN



ARIES

♥ Love: The New Year starts off with a bang, but it's not fireworks making all the noise, but the sound of your couple-bubble bursting. With party-hearty Mars in your social sector opposing attention-hog Jupiter in your romance zone on the 1st, your amorous partner may be kicking up a fuss because you want to ring in 2015 surrounded by friends instead of breathing in each other's oxygen supply. When reflective Mercury stations retrograde in the same aspect on the 21st, you will be reviewing your current love/leisure balance.

\$ Money: The New Year also rings in a new chance for economic independence. After a few years of having your purse strings tied closely to a partner, investor, bank, credit-card company, or other financial organization, you are now able to earn your own living and make your way in life without the monetary assistance of others. When go-getter Mars in the house of your innermost desires sextiles natural-born leader Pluto in your career sector on the 30th, you can make your professional dreams come true.

☺ Health: You don't need to be a kid to learn a lesson from the popular children's

flick *How to Train Your Dragon*. When battle-hungry Mars enters your psychology zone on the 12th, you will be wrestling with repressed resentments and anger, especially when it squares brooding Saturn in your enlightenment zone on the 15th. Instead of trying to dominate these feelings, embrace them when Mars conjuncts warm-and-fuzzy Neptune and therapeutic Chiron on the 19th and 31st, and watch all that ill will dissolve into a sense of gratitude and acceptance.

TAURUS

♥ Love: Love is (not) in the air—or in the stars—this month, and that is a very good thing. The heavens are leaving your love zones free from any major influences, allowing you to create your own romantic destiny. After two years with suffocating, control-freak Saturn in your partnership zone, this new period of peace and tranquility will be quite a welcome change after such a long, intense period filled with austerity, obligation, and an overall lack of romance and spontaneity.

\$ Money: New opportunities at work could raise your reputation and your 401(k). Social-savvy Venus, shrewd Mercury, and the glorious Sun in your sector

of professional success will send beneficial vibes to stabilizing Saturn in your investment zone on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd. Your financial security could be undermined by your good heart, however, when street-hustling Mars and compassionate Venus in your friendship zone square Saturn on the 15th and 30th; your desire to help a friend out of a tight situation could put the squeeze on your pocketbook.

☺ **Health:** Trying to come up with a list of New Year's resolutions to help you soar into 2015 could send you into a tailspin on the 3rd, when the Sun conjuncts Pluto in your zone of new horizons while squaring anxiety-prone Uranus in your psychology sector. Instead of scheduling untried experiences, you will be overwhelmed by all the things you haven't done yet. Instead of worrying about kicking the bucket, get out there and start experiencing all those exciting escapades on your bucket list.

GEMINI

♥ **Love:** With ambitious Mars and star-struck Venus squaring an unenticing, Plain Jane-with-a-heart-of-gold Saturn in your partnership zone on the 15th and 30th and Mars conjunct bewitching Neptune on the 19th, the Lorelei of career success could be luring you to sail towards professional advancement instead of into the arms of your lover—leaving your relationship on the rocks. When an adventurous New Moon in your travel zone sextiles Saturn on the 20th, take a short sojourn with your sweetie like two invincible pirates joyfully navigating the high seas of love.

\$ **Money:** Your primary New Year's resolution should be to stop allowing others to control your financial livelihood. The Full Moon in your income zone on the 4th will be opposite domineering Pluto in your sector of shared resources and squaring fickle Uranus in your social sector. This lunar

alignment will give you the courage to stand up to financial bullies. If you start earning your own keep, you will also be able to choose the company you keep instead of having to follow the social agenda of the economic leader.

☺ **Health:** This is a great month to get a physical or psychological checkup. Your sectors of mental and bodily wellness are free of any major transit, allowing you to improve your overall health without any major obstacles. Somber Saturn has been a devitalizing force as it slowly travelled through your fitness sector for the past two years. Now that it has moved on, you can return to your high-octane self. Saturn returns briefly to your well-being zone from mid-June to mid-September, so shape up now.

CANCER

♥ **Love:** You will add three new words to your vocabulary at the Full Moon in your identity zone on the 5th: Me, Myself, and I. You have been focusing so much attention and energy on romantic partners and workplace volatility that your own needs are begging for attention. Cancer is a sign famous for self-sacrificing for those they care about, but with that emotional Moon opposing domineering Pluto in your partnership zone and squaring constantly changing Uranus in your career sector, you need to demand some love and nurturing for a change.

\$ **Money:** Vainglorious Jupiter in your earnings sector has been helping you bring in the big bucks—while also making you insufferably big-headed. With smooth-talking Venus, savvy Mercury, and a high-spirited New Moon in your sector of shared resources and investments sextiling stabilizing Saturn in your work zone on the 4th, 5th, and 20th, you will be able to forge profitable long-term economic alliances with colleagues if you vow to keep your ego in check when enterprising Mars opposes Jupiter on the 1st.

☺ Health: Saturn in your zone of health and service to others may be shoring up your reputation as the twenty-first century's answer to Florence Nightingale while also zapping you of all your energy reserves. If people start calling you by Ms. Nightingale's nickname, "Lady (or Laddie) of the Lamp" because of your nightly caregiving rounds, it may be a red flag that you are putting your own wellness needs on the back burner. Be sure to get plenty of rest to recharge your batteries.

LEO

♥ Love: Passion, courtly romance, and stability: this month, you can truly have it all. Zesty Mars is in your true-love sector until the 12th is bringing with it an overdose of passion, while sweet-as-sugar Venus and a life-affirming New Moon in the same zone are playing for keeps when they sextile long-lasting Sagittarius in your sector of new liaisons on the 4th and 20th. Mercury retrograde in your partnership zone as of the 21st could even bring back the one that got away.

\$ Money: Ambitious Mars moves full-speed ahead into your investment zone on the 12th and financial possibilities seem boundless. When Mars collides with deceitful Neptune on the 19th, however, you may end up shoveling all your hard-earned savings into an infinite money pit. Your risk-taking desire to hastily increase your capital could lead you to make reckless choices that are not in your economic interest. Slow down, read all the fine print, and, if necessary, consult with a lawyer or trusted advisor before signing anything.

☺ Health: You may feel like a neutron bomb of physical wellness on the 3rd when the ebullient Sun conjuncts powerhouse Pluto in your health zone while squaring unstable Uranus in your enlightenment sector. You have so much unbridled energy that the slightest spark could make you explode, especially at the Full

Moon in your psychology zone on the 5th, when you may be overwhelmed by anxiety. Luckily, this Moon is also sending harmonious vibes to therapeutic Chiron, which will help diffuse the tension and keep things from going full-on nuclear.

VIRGO

♥ Love: An ebullient Sun conjuncts destined Pluto in your romance zone on the 3rd while squaring jittery Uranus in your sector of physical and emotional closeness. All those fears of intimacy rapidly dissolve, however, once passionate Mars and besotted Venus enter your commitment zone on the 12th and 27th. With Mars and Venus squaring judgmental Saturn in your family zone on the 15th and 30th, disapproving kinfolk may not be as eager to embrace your partner unconditionally. Follow your own heart.

\$ Money: Burning the midnight oil at the office will leave you richer than a sheik. Charmed Venus and canny Mercury in your work sector will sextile wildcat Uranus in your financial zone on the 13th, 14th, and 28th, and you may unexpectedly strike black gold. Moreover, Mercury goes retrograde in your sector of daily chores on the 21st, sextiling Uranus twice in the process. Mercury retro will also help you block out all extraneous noise at the office so you can fully focus on rocking the casbah.

☺ Health: Partying until 6:00 A.M., fueled by champagne and caviar, is the perfect self-medication to help you forget your interior issues when festive Mars in your zone of physical health opposes self-absorbed Jupiter in your psychology sector on the 1st. Focus on improving your physical fitness during the rest of the month—especially at the New Moon in your bodily wellness zone on the 20th—so you can learn to externalize your energy instead of ruminating endlessly on all your metaphysical issues.

LIBRA

♥ Love: You have been the life of the party ever since Jupiter entered your social zone last summer, but your New Year's guest list should have just one name—that of your significant other. Passionate Mars in your romance zone finally demands your total attention when it opposes all-consuming Jupiter in your friendship sector on the 1st. Opportunities for spontaneity as a couple—or for new amour—abound, especially when love-smitten Venus in your flirtation sector sextiles uninhibited Uranus in your partnership zone on the 13th.

\$ Money: Ambitious Mars makes you quite the dynamo at the office starting on the 12th, but it will also stress you out and trigger your temper. This is especially true when Mars squares repressed Saturn in your communication zone on the 15th and you let loose all your pent-up hostility on your colleagues. With Venus also squaring Saturn on the 30th, you will win no awards for diplomacy. Luckily, your money houses are completely calm. While your outbursts may hurt your reputation, they will not hit your bank balance.

☺ Health: You are running nonstop on the treadmill of physical activity but getting nowhere fitness-wise. Mars in your health zone from the 12th on is prompting you to take an energetic, yet unorganized, approach to exercise. If you don't work out properly, however, you won't get the desired results—as you may find out when Mars conjuncts depleting Neptune on the 19th. Instead of going about your training higgledy-piggledy, make a firm routine and stick to it. By the time Mars hits curative Chiron on the 31st, you will feel the benefits.

SCORPIO

♥ Love: “Wild again, beguiled again, a simpering, whimpering child again...,” yes, you will be bewitched, bothered, and bewildered when passionate Mars and

besotted Venus enter your romance zone on the 12th and 27th, and Mars falls blindly into the endless black hole of enchanting Neptune on the 19th. Your mojo will be ignited to the loss of your dignity on the 15th, when Mars squares overly focused Saturn in your self-esteem sector, putting the blinkers on anything but love—but it all feels so intoxicating, you don't mind.

\$ Money: Belt-tightening Saturn in your income sector may be making you feel the economic pinch due to your overly lean earnings, but, luckily, you are not the only person fattening up your piggy bank with loose change. Family members, live-in partners, and roommates will help you cover household expenses when compassionate Venus, problem-solving Mercury, and the New Moon in your home sector send out stabilizing vibes to Saturn on the 4th, 5th, and 20th. Don't be afraid to ask kin for a little help.

☺ Health: Forget about taking a membership at the gym: the cozy sanctuary of your home will help you regenerate and lift your sense of overall wellness. Arguments and shouting matches may have you on edge at the Full Moon on the 5th opposite the Sun and bossy Pluto in your communication zone and square anxiety-ridden Uranus in your health sector. Luckily, serene Venus and a mentally invigorating Mercury in your home sector will be sextiling Uranus on the 13th, 14th, and 28th, reigniting your sense of motivation and bodily fitness.

SAGITTARIUS

♥ Love: The pronouncements of your love will keep echoing back over the month, with each reverberation drawing you and your heart's desire ever closer together. Sugar-tongued Venus and articulate Mercury will make you extremely charming and irresistible, especially when they sextile swooning Uranus in your romance zone on the 13th and 14th. Mer-

cury turns retro on the 21st, and your amorous declarations linger in your sweetie's mind, tightening your bonds of affection when Mercury sextiles Uranus a second time on the 28th.

\$ Money: You can finally put your foot down to incessant monetary demands from petulant children and spoiled-rotten lovers when the empowered Sun conjuncts authoritative Pluto in your income zone while squaring high-maintenance Uranus in your sector of children and romance on the 3rd. At the Full Moon in your shared resources zone on the 4th opposing Pluto and squaring Uranus, you will be able to set up a more logical allowance plan for dependents that doesn't recklessly squander your savings.

☺ **Health:** Saturn in your identity sector may be making you feel a bit more serious and tight-lipped than usual—but if you want to sing out, sing out! With creative Venus, inspired Mercury, and an upbeat New Moon in your communication zone sextiling Saturn on the 4th, 5th, and 20th, loosening your tongue can lift your spirits and give you a new sense of personal freedom and purpose. There are a million things you can be, you just need to let everyone know about your uninhibited, multi-dimensional nature.

CAPRICORN

♥ **Love:** True power comes from empathizing with your loved one instead of being a bully who always has to have his or her own way. The Full Moon in your partnership zone opposite Pluto on the 4th will allow you to cede a little control and sympathy towards your lover. As this Full Moon will also be trining therapeutic Chiron in your communication zone, this is a great moment for a healing heart-to-heart. By letting down your defenses, you will strengthen your feelings of love.

\$ Money: When you find yourself in a fi-

nancial hole, you need not only to stop digging, but also to figure out a way to build yourself a ladder. With reckless Mars and indulgent Venus in your income zone opposing bottomless-pit Jupiter in your credit sector on the 1st and 19th, you won't be able to put the breaks on spending, but when the New Moon in your wages zone sextiles stabilizing Saturn on the 20th and crafty Mercury conjuncts an inspired Sun on the 30th, you can concoct ingenious ways to increase earnings.

☺ **Health:** With forthright Mars hitting uninhibited Neptune in your communication zone on the 19th, all barriers to discourse will dissolve and you will be able to let it all out—but be careful you don't make matters worse when rescue-me Venus in the same sector squares obligation-obsessed Saturn in your zone of psychological isolation on the 30th. You may only increase your feelings of alienation, if by getting things off your chest you dump all your issues on other people's backs.

AQUARIUS

♥ **Love:** You may have developed a Vitamin D deficiency by standing too long in the shadow of the pedestal on which you have placed your ever-adored lover. With dynamic Mars, self-indulgent Venus, Mercury, and an emancipated Sun in your identity zone this month, you will start demanding your own share of reciprocated love. When Mars and Venus oppose attention-hog Jupiter in your partnership zone on the 1st and 19th, you will be able to express your identity and claim your place in the romantic spotlight.

\$ Money: Remember how in high school there was always that one misguided girl who thought if she slept with all the boys, she would gain their love and affection, but only garnered scorn and alienation? You are kind of being that girl with your finances. Impassioned Mars and come-hither Venus in your earnings sector are

making you a financial dynamo, but you may blow all your hard-earned wages trying, in vain, to impress aloof, judgmental “friends” when these planets square unaffectionate Saturn in your social zone on the 15th and 30th.

☺ **Health:** You have more pent up energy than a Crock-Pot. Sitting around stewing in your own juices for so long may cause you finally to blow your lid when the combustible Sun conjuncts explosive Pluto in your psychology zone on the 3rd while squaring unhinged Uranus in your communication zone and opposing the 4th’s Full Moon in your sector of bodily wellness. The Full Moon will help you set your regulatory valve and ease some of the pressure by doing physical exercise instead of verbal gymnastics.

PISCES

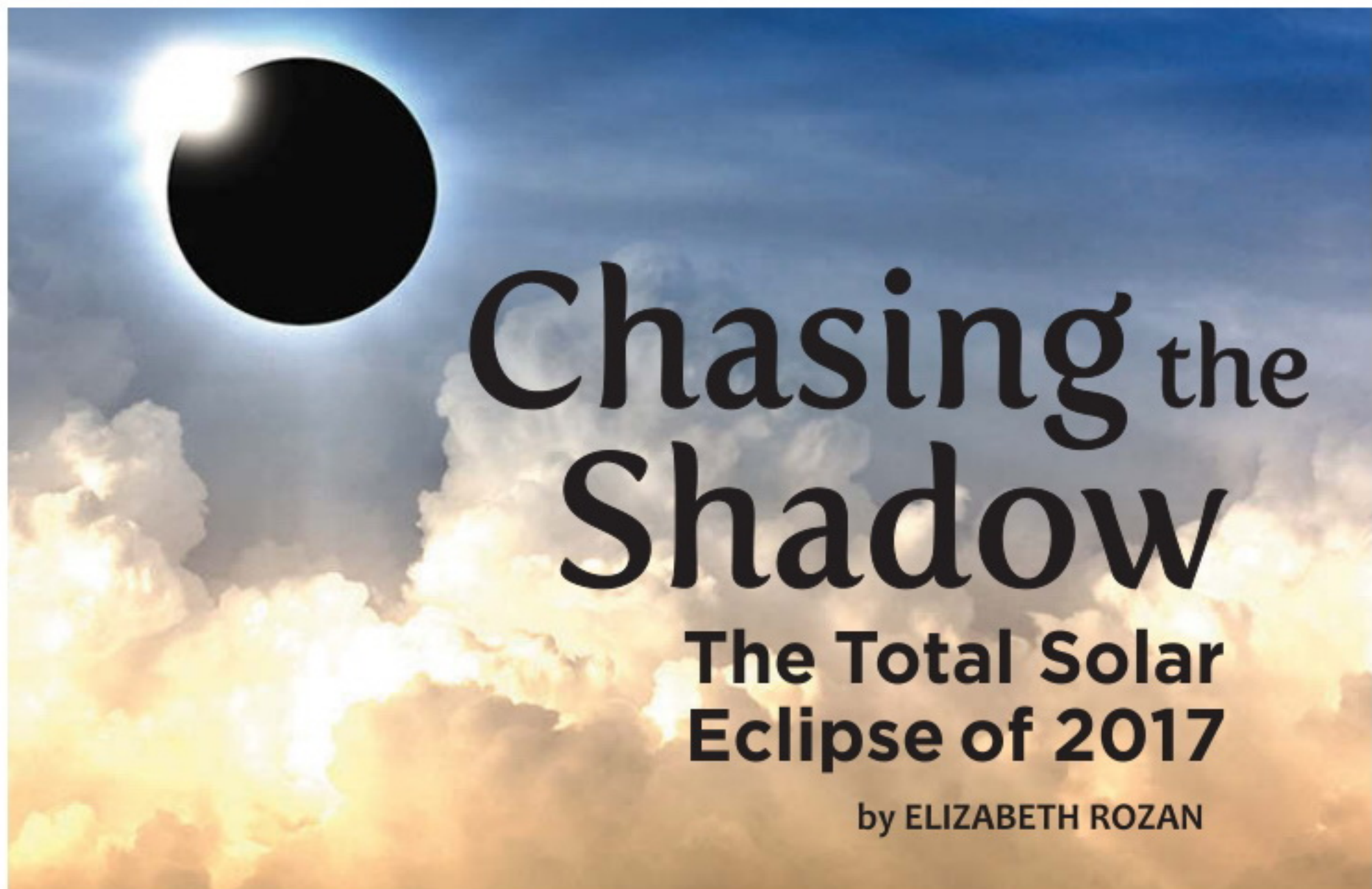
♥ **Love:** You are so preoccupied with keeping up with the Joneses that neither Tom, Dick, nor Harry wants to date you anymore. Pluto’s slow transit through your sector of social acceptance is making you extremely status-conscious, but at the Full Moon in your romance zone opposing Pluto on the 4th and squaring Uranus in your income sector, you will realize your fixation on money and stature has made you forget the value of true love. Use this Full Moon to get back in touch with creativity and amour.

\$ **Money:** You have been dropping so many names that you were bound to slip and fall on your face. Your own income has been on shaky ground for a while, so you have been relying on piggybacking on other people’s social rankings in order to raise your own status. With Uranus in your earnings zone, it is time that you sort out your own finances. Auspicious days to do so are when Mercury sextiles innovative Uranus on the 14th and 28th.

☺ **Health:** With competitive Mars, emotional Venus, cerebral Mercury, and the ego-ridden Sun all bouncing around in your psychology zone, you may feel like you are about to go full-tilt, especially when Mars and Venus oppose stressed-out Jupiter in your sector of bodily wellness on the 1st and 19th. You can become a true Pinball Wizard, however, when wise Mercury goes retrograde on the 21st, allowing you to unplug from the energy outlet in order to gain peace, introspection, and balance.



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Chasing the Shadow

The Total Solar Eclipse of 2017

by ELIZABETH ROZAN

Being “in the flow” can have a number of meanings. The one I favor at the moment is related to being in the path of celestial phenomena. This came to my awareness as a piece of found art, situated on a sidewalk, in a synchronistic occurrence I can describe as Jupiterian (i.e., mirthfully profound). The experience had to do with this plaque that I had happened upon.



The plaque, made of brass and situated between bricks on the pavement, was inscribed, “Total Eclipse,” with the name of a city, “St Louis,” just below. Notice that it says “Total,” not Solar or Lunar. Notice, too, the city mentioned. Notice that no date is mentioned. Synchronistic clues...

Carl Jung described synchronicity as an acausal connecting principle, depicting a moment when two or more events show meaningful relationship, but are not causally related.¹ These moments give one pause and encourage a deconstruction to find meaning beneath the surface. This essay will describe my deconstruction process.

I found this “message” in Arlington Heights, Massachusetts. This town is des-

ignated as the birthplace of Uncle Sam, our American icon. West of this town, along the avenue, is Lexington, the place of American Liberty, when the Revolutionary War began on April 19, 1776, and further west still is Concord, the stomping ground of the Transcendentalists, Henry David Thoreau, author of *Walden*, and his friend Ralph Waldo Emerson, the sage of Concord. I duly noted that Emerson spent his lifetime pondering the laws of the mind, such as instinct and perception, memory, imagination, inspiration, common sense, wit and humor, poetry, will, and dreams/omens/coincidences, and that he understood them to be keys in the path of self-development.²

I also duly noted the irony that I was

walking in a dear neighborhood, filled with fond memories. It's the kind of Main Street that hasn't changed much—the pizza place still on the corner, a Brigham's advertising lime rickeys in the summer, and an old-fashioned 5 & 10 store, which in fact was from where I was coming, after having purchases a few yards of plastic sheeting for my sister, who needed it for a project we had been discussing. It was the kind of store where you could find anything vaguely retro, and, in fact, we had spent many summers there for reasons we still don't quite understand, in a home across from a cloistered convent, which echoed our actual family home miles away but also just doors away from a convent.

When I saw this plaque, I recalled another memory, that of hanging out with other children awaiting the “end of the world” predicted by the omens of other eclipse events. There we were, sitting on the sidewalk, not a parent in sight. Someone had a watch for timing, and all of us had makeshift glasses so we could experience the odd shift in light and not go blind. Flooding in from this obscure tide of memory were images of our skinny little bodies walking briskly over ancient tree roots to find just the right spot at Walden Pond in July, again parentless, and decidedly free.

But why St. Louis, and so far from the northeastern seaboard? My flow of thought went something like this: Missouri; the Mississippi; Middle America; the Spirit of St. Louis; the St. Louis Cardinals, Rams, and Blues; the Gateway Arch. Why would I, an astrologer who pays attention to the treacherous zones of uneven bricks as well as far-reaching celestial phenomena, see this plaque, placed

here of all places, at this moment in time? Let's look at the chart of the moment.

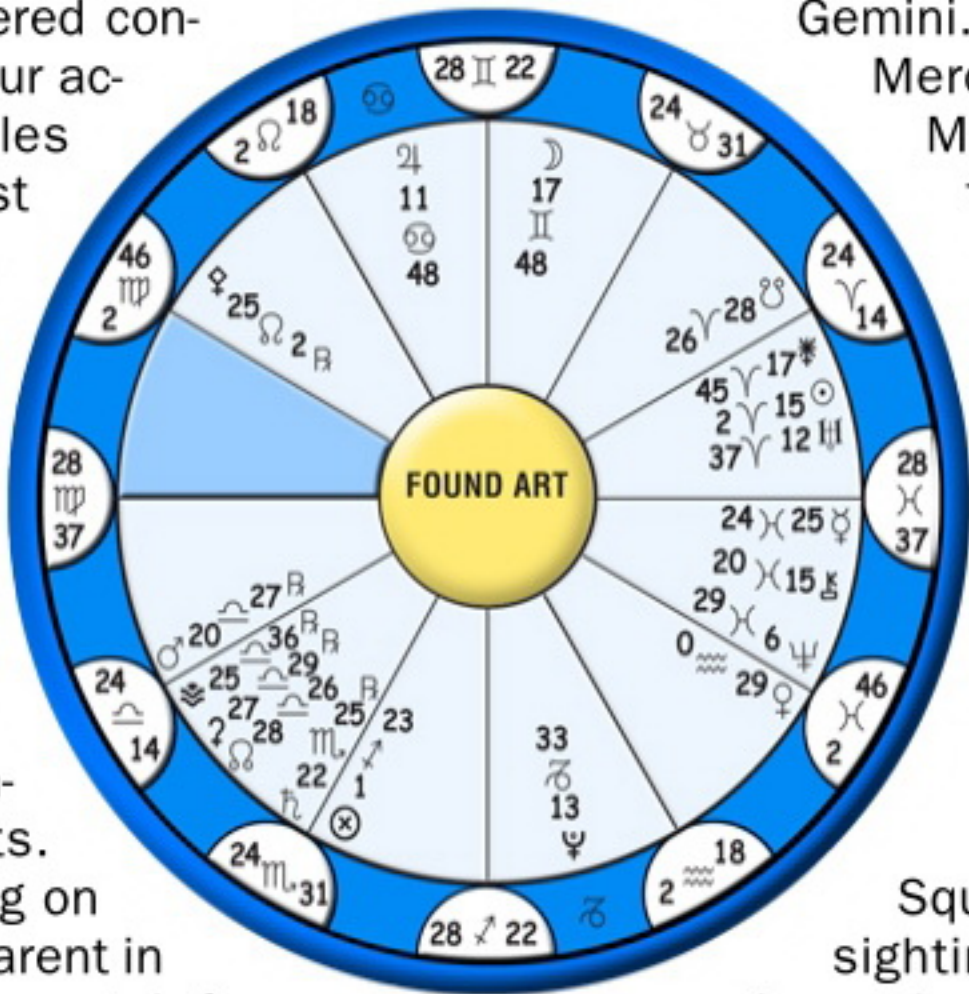
I asked the question: What does this mean? From a horary perspective, the saying goes: “Judge not upon every trivial notion.” Was this trivial? You test it out and see if anything clicks. From a horary interpretation perspective—querent (me) is represented by the Ascendant, ruled by Mercury. The co-significator is represented by the Moon, also ruled by Mercury, and the question of what it means is a ninth-house issue. Not too shabby. The

Moon stands out in the ninth, in Gemini. The Moon is ruled by Mercury and square to Mercury, while applying to a trine to Mars. Mercury as ruler, in its fall in watery Pisces, opposes the Ascendant, and operates through Jupiter, which is pressing in on an opposition to Pluto. The mirthful communicative link...

The April Grand Square is closing in; this sighting came just before the spring eclipses of April 15 and 29, 2014, and before the fifth contact of the Uranus-Pluto square on April 21, with the reconstruction of awareness in full swing.

With synchronistic events, intuition, trust, and exploration are needed to solve the mystery. I took this sighting, and the accompanying chart of the moment, as clear evidence that Mercury was dashing in with a message of some kind, perhaps related to the need to communicate something about eclipses, or, more specifically, about a total eclipse in St. Louis. Okay...

Eclipses occur with regularity, in a kind of swinging movement through the zodiac, described in Metonic and Saros cycles, occurring every 19 years and 18 years, respectively, at a level of complex-



ity I've never quite grasped. During an eclipse, the Sun, Moon, the Moon's Nodes, and the Earth align in ways that create shadows. In a solar eclipse, which occurs at the New Moon, the Moon comes between the Sun and the Earth, casting a shadow on the Earth. The umbra, penumbra, and antumbra are three distinct parts of the shadow, created by any light source after impinging on an opaque object.³ The umbra is the darkest, the innermost part, and is experienced only during a total solar eclipse. Jung's work with the Shadow might be metaphorically instructive here. The strength of will, as suggested by the Sun, and the depth of emotion, as suggested by the Moon, are brought into powerful relationship. In totality, with solar light blocked, the brilliant corona of the burning Sun is all that is visible, while the Moon creates shadow play. The Sun energy must pass through the lunar detritus before it reaches the Earth.

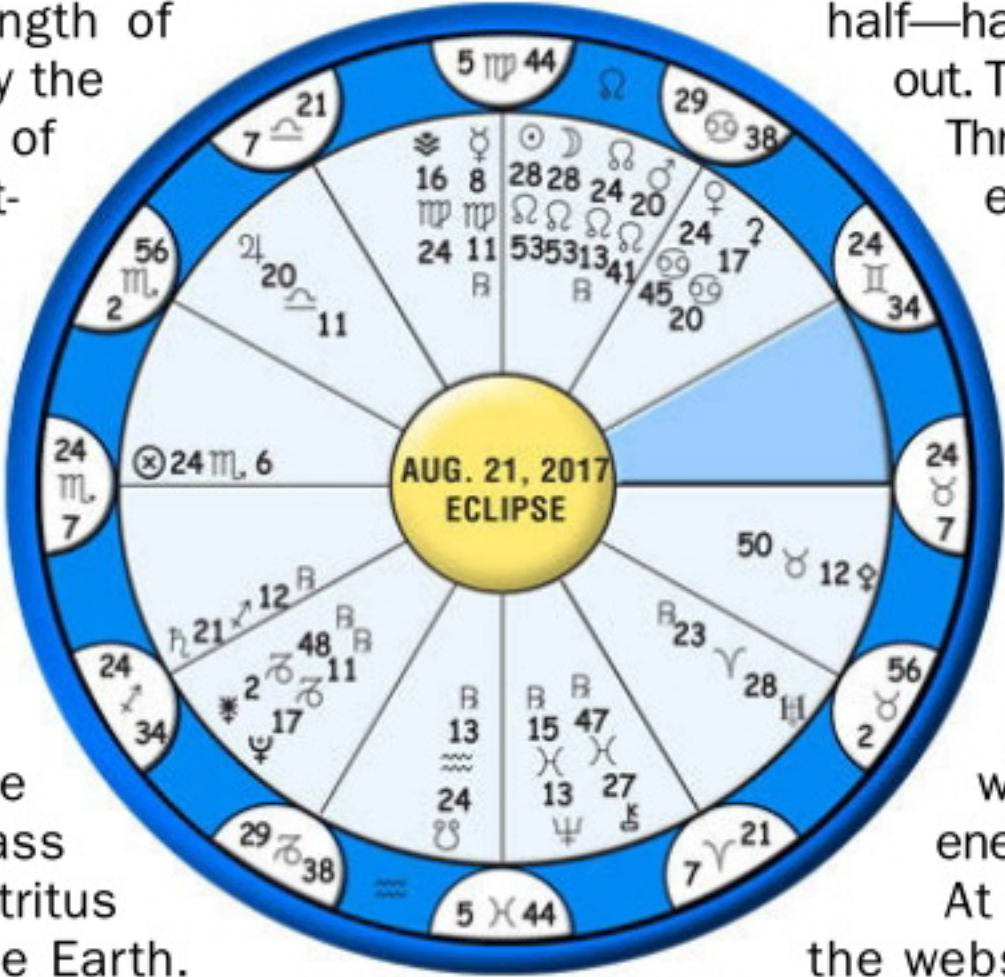
This is the power of the Hermetic Formulary, the holistic triumvirate of Spirit, Soul, and Body. The usually flowing conscious spirit of the Sun is blocked, overridden by the unconscious emotional, soul realm of the Moon. The full channel is aligned for deeper expression on the body of the Earth. Here we have a super-charge for the New Moon instincts to emerge.

A total eclipse is an awe-inspiring celestial event. The light in the sky changes to a kind of shimmering gray-turquoise, a mix of blue, yellow, green, and gray. To look at the obscured brilliance in the sky, special eye protection is needed. People talk about eclipses, watch them, and wait for events to manifest, personally or globally. An eclipse is transformative and indicates where change is needed or coming.⁴

At this point in my deconstruction process, I was not yet clear if there had been a total eclipse involving St. Louis, or if there was to be one. Technologically, we are at an advantageous time period. A few clicks in with the keywords "St. Louis" and "eclipse," and I was stunned: on August 21, 2017, there will be a Total Solar Eclipse, and it has been labeled "the Great American Eclipse."⁵ According to the website's host, it will touch only the mainland of the United States, cutting a swath of shadow from Newport, Oregon, to Charleston, South Carolina, with a band that basically cuts St. Louis in half—half in the shadow, half out. That seemed significant!

Through this website, this event is being publicized, explored, bookmarked, and looked forward to by thousands of eclipse-chasers, people who make it a point of going to the locale being impacted to experience and be infused with this unique cosmic energy.

At this point I write to the website host, who clearly has done some research, and ask him why, did he think, a notice suggesting this eclipse was etched on the sidewalk in Arlington Heights, MA? He is stunned. He wants to know more. I send him the picture and continue my research. But before I can say "Alice in Wonderland," I discover that the sidewalk clue is actually a calling card of the Kupferle Total Eclipse Model #36 Street Washer!⁶ This amazing piece of equipment was manufactured at the Kupferle Foundry Company, in operation since 1857 in St. Louis, Missouri. The website describes it like this: "The Total Eclipse Model #36 is designed and engineered for wash down and filling needs. The #36 provides a point to retrieve water to wash down wastewater



treatment areas or fill an area with water. The #36 sits flush with the ground, saving space in walking areas. The cast iron box and lid are not traffic rated. The Total Eclipse model #36 comes standard with all brass and aluminum working parts, available nozzle and inlet sizes are 3/4 or 1 in. compression type self draining non-freezing drain, cast iron box and lid. And as with all Kupferle products, the Total Eclipse model #36 is fully serviceable from above ground—no digging!”

Ah, Mercury’s watery Pisces! The Kupferle product line site map is full of double meanings: Eclipse, Total Eclipse, Eclipse Series. But the one I liked best was their motto, set against a map of the U.S., as their products are made in the U.S.A., which says: *“Go with the flow.”* When I tell the website host about my discovery, we share something like amusement.

It is important to note that astronomers and astrologers share the starry skies. They look for different things, perhaps. Astronomers look at the event as a physical event, while astrologers look for metaphysical meaning in the event. As a shared event, the awe-inspiring nature of eclipses speaks for itself. The experience served to educate and inform, which is the mission of www.eclipse2017.org. There is copious research data and enthusiasm for this celestial event on this and other websites, but what is unique about this site is that the host is urging people to get to the umbra as an experience. And he provides a lot of information to facilitate the decision about exactly where to be at that special time. But, on to the astrology of it...

Astrologically, eclipses are considered wild cards, bringing events that push one or groups forward in a sort of evolutionary way. With this process, there are endings and beginnings. Solar eclipses suggest new beginnings, as they are essentially New Moon energy. Like most things astrological, eclipses embrace

probabilities of a thematic nature and multivalence of an archetypal nature.

Since the band of impact is so far-reaching across the nation, the chart cast here is for the location of St. Louis, since, well, since it was the instructive connection indicated on the Kupferle plaque. (Note that the umbra does not fall exactly on St. Louis, and that the shadow’s edge splits the town.)

There is dignity in this chart from the Sun and Mercury, with the Sun as the dispositor and Mercury retrograde. Both straddle the MC. The period of eclipse runs approximately three hours, from when the Moon touches the Sun’s edge at 11:58 A.M. C.D.T. to when it leaves the Sun’s edge at 2:53 P.M. Fixed fire is the predominant mode and element. Mars rules the chart, with Scorpio Rising, and Mars is involved in two of the three yods in this chart.

There are a number of things to consider in evaluating an eclipse. I list them here with minimal comment, as unlike music videos, much can be left to the imagination.

Power Gauge

This is an eclipse, not just a New Moon.

North Node is within four degrees of the Sun-Moon conjunction.

Transit by Saturn by December, in trine. In Sag...could be instructive, or involve law or higher education.

Mars is close, eight degrees from Sun-Moon conjunction. This is a fixed eclipse, not cardinal.

Because this is an eclipse on U.S. soil, the U.S. chart is an important consideration. In the Sibley chart (July 4, 1776, 5:10 P.M., Philadelphia, PA), this eclipse is in opposition to the third-house U.S. Moon at 27°+ Aquarius. U.S. education? U.S. neighbors?

Portal

Is the nodal portal North or South? In this case, the North Node sits four degrees

from the Sun-Moon conjunction. The North Node suggests intake or gain, auspicious energy that can still be disruptive as it comes in. Events under an eclipse may seem random or surprising, and as having great significance. Information that comes forward during eclipses needs attention.

Element

The sign and element of the eclipse is significant, as is the fixed star or planet in closest proximity, which technically then “rules” the eclipse. In this case, the Sun-Moon conjunction is at 28°53’ Leo—fire. This is the Sun’s natural placement. On a mundane level, it brings prominence, eminence, focus to and on leaders. It can bring sensational events, action, or inspiration. It can bring heat, lack of rain. On a personal level, an influx of creative energy, with emotional detritus being purified, freeing up the playfulness, is suggested.

Ruler of the Eclipse

The Sun-Moon conjunction is at 28°+ Leo. The North Node is at 24°+ Leo, Rx, and Mars is at 20°+ Leo.

Mars will play a significant role in this eclipse. Pioneering, courageous, passionate, quick energy needs a good channel against any aggression and strife. Jupiter is sextile to the Mars degree, suggesting a fun party atmosphere filled with activity, rather than war. And Saturn, though Rx, is trining Mars, also suggesting an instructive structure to the event. With Scorpio Rising, this chart shows Mars in additional prominence, as the chart ruler. Mars is also involved in two of the three yods in the chart, suggesting some dramatic turn-around at the last minute.

Fixed Star Proximity

The Sun is near Regulus, which is now at 0° Virgo. This is a revenge alert.

Mercury is conjunct Thuban, now at 7° Virgo. This is a message about guarding a treasure. Pluto is conjunct Rukbat, at

16° Capricorn. This relates to the Archer, so a pointed arrow.

Time Period

Solar Eclipses are said to have a shelf life of 3.5 years, holding the space for related events to unfold. This depends on the duration of the eclipse. In this case, the block of time from beginning to end of the event is approximately three hours, which translates to three years. The eclipse begins with the Moon touching the Sun’s edge at approximately 11:58 A.M. C.D.T., and leaving the Sun’s edge at approximately 2:53 P.M.

Trigger Points

With Mars playing a key role, events may occur more dominantly when Mars reaches the 28°+ Leo zone in early September.

Venus, too, will pass that section of the zodiac mid-September. Saturn will move over the eclipse degree in December.

Mars often initiates, while Saturn can bring closure.

This suggests that the last four months of 2017 will be active; it is the first semester of that school year before the winter break.

Key Configurations

There are three yods in this chart:

Saturn sextile South Node, quincunx to Venus. Mars sextile Jupiter, quincunx Neptune-Chiron; Pluto sextile Neptune, quincunx Mars.

Mars plays a role in two. Venus’ movement over Mars on September 11-12 can get some sparks flying.

Except for comments about Mars being the Ascendant ruler, these factors would apply to the eclipse chart at any location. St. Louis is representative of the spirit of the U.S.A. somehow, and the impact of this event is on the entire country—not New York or Washington, D.C., or San Francisco, but Middle America. And that the event splits St. Louis is another interest-

ing phenomenon. The idea of getting into the umbra feels like Woodstock, being a part of something major, and off line, out with real people experiencing a real phenomenon. What is the impact of being in an umbral shadow? Would it be similar to standing in a crop circle right after it was etched, or to consuming wheat or a piece of bread made from that grain? Is the result heightened cosmic receptors? Deeper consciousness attunement? According to the webhost of www.eclipse2017.org, experiencing the umbra of totality is “a memorable, life changing event which burns in memory and never fades.”⁷

Consider that there hasn't been an eclipse with a path of totality from the Pacific to the Atlantic since 1918, that the totality has a 2'40" duration in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, that the possible locales for sighting and experiencing it, weather permitting, of course, run from Oregon, through Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina, to South Carolina. Surely, somewhere along that path would make a nice vacation spot in the heat of the summer. It gives new meaning to the idea of going with the flow. A caution alert, though: Mercury will be Rx.

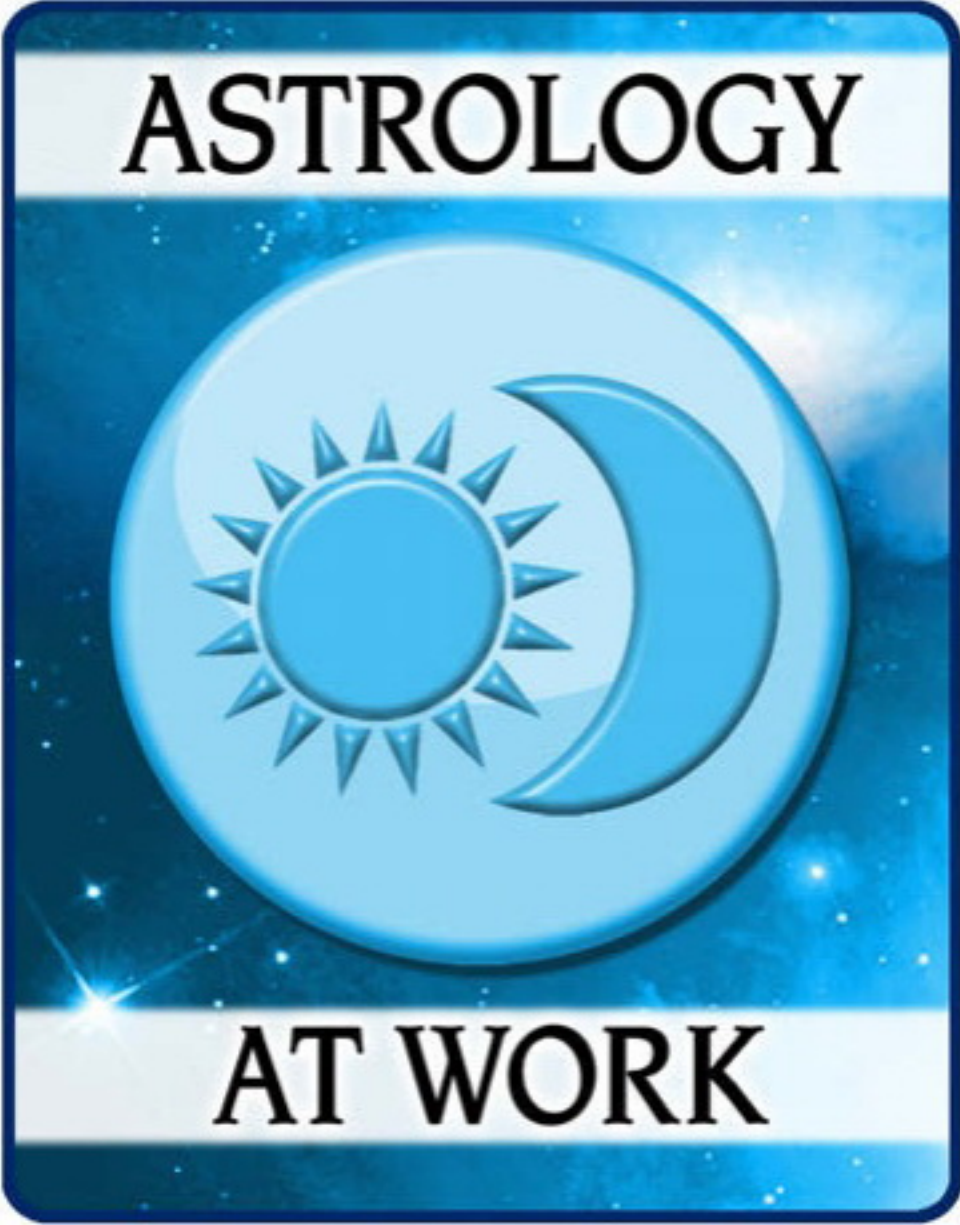


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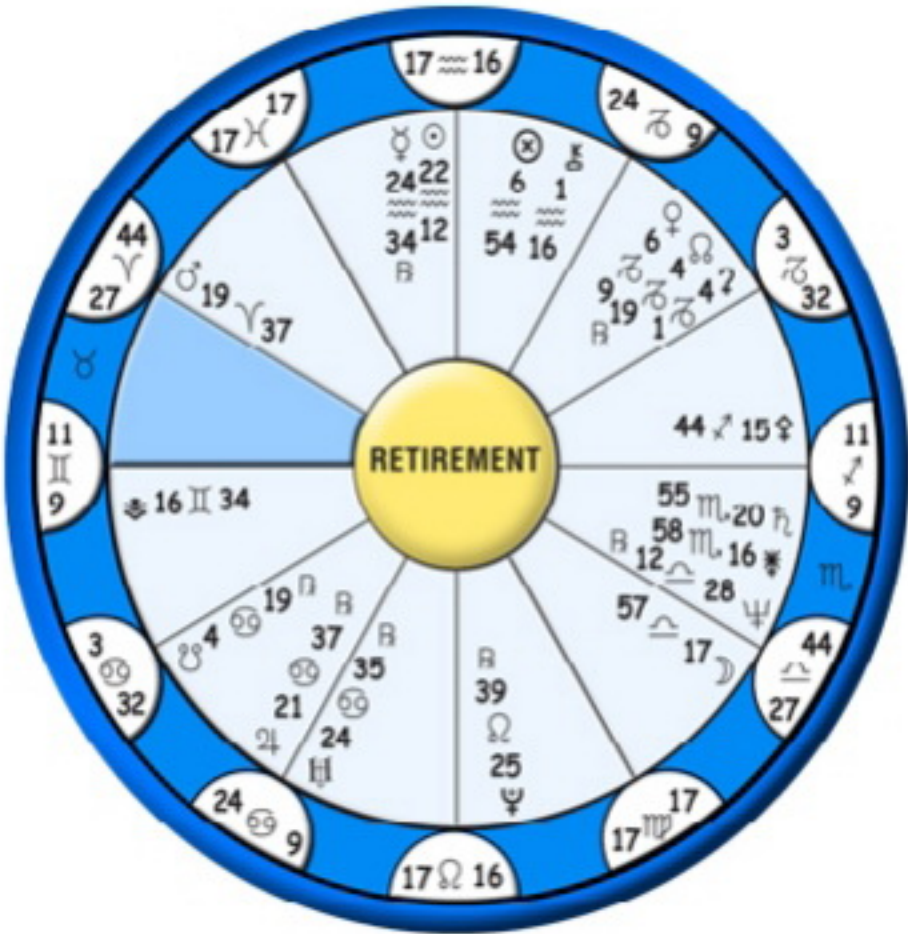
—by EILEEN MCCABE, MSW—

WHEN CAN I RETIRE?

Dear Eileen, Do you see a time in the next six years when it might be advantageous for me to retire? With my current Saturn Return and its square to my Midheaven, I am ready to retire now. I recently got a real-estate license to take advantage of Jupiter's transit in my third and fourth houses and have had some success in that field. Will I have to wait another eight years to retire? I was born February 11, 1955, at 11:56 A.M. E.S.T., 39N55/75W16.

You are absolutely right that you have been experiencing your second Saturn Return along with its square to your Midheaven. A Saturn transit can be a strong indicator of retirement. It makes sense that you have become frustrated with your

day-to-day routine and are wondering how much longer you have left to work. The second Saturn Return, which occurs when we are in our late fifties, is a time when we face some serious truths about who we are and how we wish to live out the rest of our incarnation. Your natal Saturn in Scorpio in the sixth house indicates that you are a very hard-working individual who has probably gone through some deep career changes throughout the course of your life. With a tenth-house Sun conjoined Mercury in Aquarius, you are someone who needs to be in the public eye and who enjoys meeting and communicating with new people. This would be especially true for you, given that you have Mercury-ruled Gemini Rising, suggesting that you have a restless and inquisitive personality that thrives on diverse intellectual interests. With your natal Moon in Libra, you are basically a social person who needs to form significant relationships with others. You also have Venus in Capricorn, which is another indicator that you value work and profession. I'm not sure if you will ever really retire completely from public service, but you are most likely discontent with the work you are presently doing and need to retire so you can pursue other avenues of self-expression.



You are still in the process of finishing up a cycle that began in 2001-02 when transiting Saturn in Gemini came to your first house of self-identity. When transiting Saturn makes a conjunction with the Ascendant, it begins a fourteen-year period below the horizon of the chart. You are in the process of bringing to completion work you had embarked upon in 2001 in preparation for a new Saturn cycle. Saturn entered Sagittarius at the end of 2014 and will move into your seventh house of partnership in 2016. It is then that you will begin a new cycle based on Saturn's journey above the horizon in your chart. This will be an important time for you to reevaluate how you wish to live your life in the outer world. At that time, you will either end or begin significant professional and personal relationships. Perhaps you will meet someone who will help you to take your life in a new direction, or you may begin to study a particular subject or start out on a path that will enable you to change your professional work. You mention that you have worked in real estate, which is a good choice for you, given that your Jupiter in Cancer makes a conjunction with Uranus, the ruler of your tenth house of career. Since Jupiter rules your seventh house of others, I would imagine that you gain satisfaction from helping people to secure their domestic lives. A free-lance position where you can make up your own hours would be more suitable for an Aquarian with Gemini Rising, such as yourself. You also have the North Node and Venus in Capricorn in the eighth house of shared resources, another good indicator that you can attract people with money and status who are willing to spend on expensive real estate. Perhaps this would also allow you to retire from a regular day-to-day job and still be in the public eye while making some money.

You ask whether or not you will have to wait another eight years for full retirement. Starting in 2018, transiting Saturn in Capricorn will move through your eighth house of shared resources. At that time, you may want to begin the process of se-

curing your pension or social security. There may be a very strong possibility to retire when Saturn enters Aquarius in the summer of 2020, at which time you will be 65. Saturn transits indicate retirement because they signify karmic endings and completions. While you have been feeling down and frustrated because of Saturn's transit through your sixth house, things should gradually seem more hopeful since Saturn left Scorpio and entered Sagittarius at the end of December 2014. Although Saturn will move back into Scorpio from June to September 2015, the first five months of 2015 provide a sneak preview of a new reality for you and for all of us. When Saturn moves back into Sagittarius in September 2015, where it will remain throughout 2017, you might decide to create a new work life that will enable you to stick it out until you are eligible for social security. You will either retire when Saturn in Capricorn makes a conjunction with your North Node and Venus in Capricorn in 2018 or you will wait until Saturn enters Aquarius in 2020.

I did your relocated chart for your current location (39N32/119W49) to see whether it could give us information about the timing of your retirement. While we are always our natal horoscope, the relocated chart is another indicator of how we experience ourselves based on where we are living. Your relocated chart is a very dramatic one, as it shows an emphasis on angularity, which means that your current location has been a really good place for you on many levels. With Aries Rising and Mars in the first house, a Moon in Libra in the seventh house of partnership, and an elevated Venus in Capricorn in the tenth house, this has been a place for you to express yourself, find partnership, and have a fulfilling career. Transiting Saturn in Capricorn coming to your relocated tenth house in 2018 could also be a time for you to retire, given that Saturn at the Midheaven signifies reaching a pinnacle and the culmination of one's career.

With transiting Uranus in Aries coming

to make a conjunction with your Mars in Aries this year, you will need more freedom in your life, and that may suggest retirement or that you completely change professional directions and begin a new work life that is more in alignment with your essential sense of self. Your natal Sun-Pluto opposition implies that you are a very intense person who periodically goes through many changes and crises, as your life is a transformational process. You need to be in social contact with others, but you also seek to bring change and transformation into other people's lives as well. The opposition of transiting Jupiter in Leo to your Sun in Aquarius from the end of 2014 until July 2015 will improve your overall life perspective; it can bring into your life new people who can help you to expand your life on all levels. Take advantage of whatever good comes in 2015 as you gain more confidence and a vision for a new future.

**CAREER AS A
PARANORMAL INVESTIGATOR?**

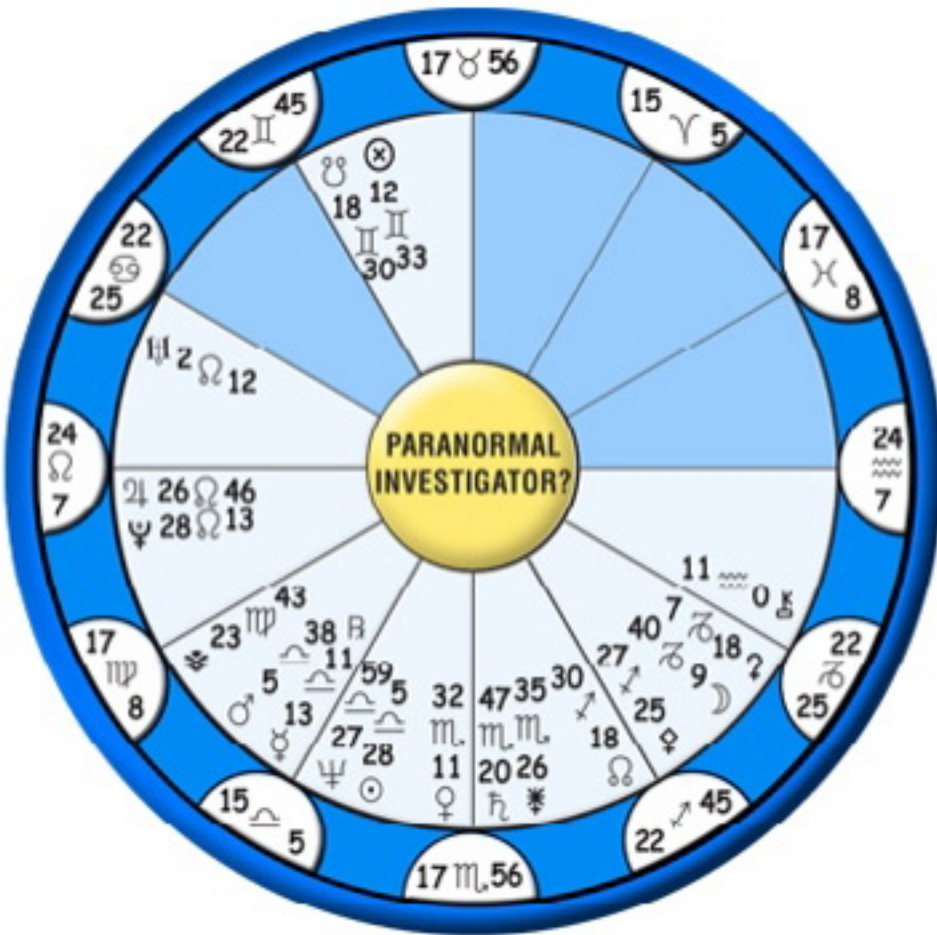
Dear Eileen, My question is about my career. I have worked as an herbalist and supplement specialist for 20 years and am planning to retire at 62 and do my own thing for income. I have a very good reputation in my field and have possible teaching opportunities; however, I am drawn (and I know it's odd) to being trained to become a professional paranormal investigator. Do you see anything in my chart to explain my strange fascination? Should I pursue this or chalk it up to a midlife crisis? I was born October 22, 1955, at 1:32 A.M. E.S.T., 38N25/82W27.

The first thing I would like to say is that I don't think it is odd for you to be interested in the world of the paranormal. Throughout 2014, you were experiencing your second Saturn Return. Being that Saturn rules your sixth house of work and that it is in Scorpio, it makes sense that you would have an interest in healing, psychology, the occult, or anything that would

relate to the process of investigation or research. As an herbalist and supplement specialist, you have certainly been in the business of helping people to change and transform themselves deeply through a healing modality.

Your success is indicated by the Jupiter-Pluto conjunction in Leo on your Ascendant. My experience has been that people with this configuration are usually very prosperous in their field and admired and respected by others. This configuration also suggests that you can find fulfillment in any career path of your choosing. That said, let's take a look at your chart to see whether or not you should pursue your interest in becoming a paranormal investigator at this particular time.

The second Saturn Return, which occurs when we are in our late fifties, is a time when we need to make some important decisions about the course of our lives; we are entering a new cycle of development. While Saturn was transiting Scorpio since the fall of 2012, transiting Pluto was making a conjunction with your Moon in Capricorn. Your Capricorn Moon suggests that you are a hard-working and ambitious individual and that you put emotional energy into your work with clients. This Moon also shows that you need to provide a very practical service



to people through which you can see concrete results. A Pluto-Moon transit implies that you have gone through either a personal crisis or a transformation that has inevitably impacted your professional life. Perhaps it was during this transit that you began to have an interest in the paranormal, as Pluto rules over all areas of life associated with what is hidden, unconscious, or mysterious. Since the Moon also has to do with our self-image, this Pluto transit may have been responsible for you perceiving yourself differently and being drawn emotionally to something new.

With Saturn now at the very beginning of its transit through Sagittarius, where it will remain throughout 2017, this may be a good time to start taking courses/classes in the paranormal field to see if you want to pursue it as a professional endeavor. Since Saturn in Sagittarius relates to education and philosophy, this would be the right time to find a teacher or take courses at a university. Given that you have an established career, why not pursue this interest and see where it goes? Besides, you have a Sun-Neptune conjunction in Libra in your third house of communication, which makes you very intuitive and psychic. You probably tune in to your clients and can sense what is wrong and what they may need for healing. Since Neptune rules the invisible world, this conjunction would also indicate that you have a strong interest in more metaphysical pursuits.

There is no question that you have the astrological indicators of someone who would be interested in paranormal investigative work. The question, though, is whether you should pursue it as a new career path and exclusively focus on this new passion. While you have strong water signatures in your chart—i.e., Venus and Saturn in Scorpio and a Sun-Neptune conjunction—you also have an earthy Capricorn Moon and Taurus tenth house of career. With Taurus on your Midheaven, you have obviously built up a solid profes-

sional reputation, which is not easy in a field such as herbalism. Your Moon in Capricorn shows that you have worked hard to gain the career status that you have earned as a healing practitioner. It is certainly not easy to change careers at this point in your life, but you do have the capacity to be successful in any career. I'm also wondering if your interest in the paranormal relates specifically to what occurs in the home, given that your Saturn in Scorpio is in the fourth house of domesticity.

Jupiter is now transiting Leo, and you will be having your Jupiter Return in that sign in July/August of this year. Since you have Leo Rising, this is a time for expanding your life on all levels. Doing so could manifest as new personal and professional opportunities. This transit is going to improve your life. The Jupiter Return is an opportunity to move into a new social direction that will unfold over a twelve-year period. During a Jupiter transit, we usually feel more confident, and we attract people and situations into our lives that can help us move toward a better, more positive future. If you want to explore this new direction, take advantage of this transit and professional doors will open for you. Alternatively, this would be an auspicious time to increase your client base, or perhaps you will get an opportunity to move either your office or home into a new environment.

Transiting Uranus in Aries is now moving through your ninth house of travel, education, and higher knowledge. Because your natal Uranus is in your twelfth house of hidden matters, it is understandable that you are being "awakened" to a new interest that has captured your consciousness. With Neptune, the ruler of your eighth house, now transiting the sign of Pisces, you would be drawn to psychic work of any kind and be moved to study more eighth-house subjects, such as paranormal activities. I don't think this is some kind of midlife crisis. You are being called to study a subject toward which you have a natural inclination. Whether or not

this becomes a new career, I think, will depend on Saturn in Capricorn, a transit that begins at the very end of 2017 and lasts until 2020. During this transit, you will decide whether or not to use the knowledge you have gained in a more professional manner. Until then, enjoy delving into this new and exciting venture.

UNLUCKY-IN-LOVE LIBRARIAN

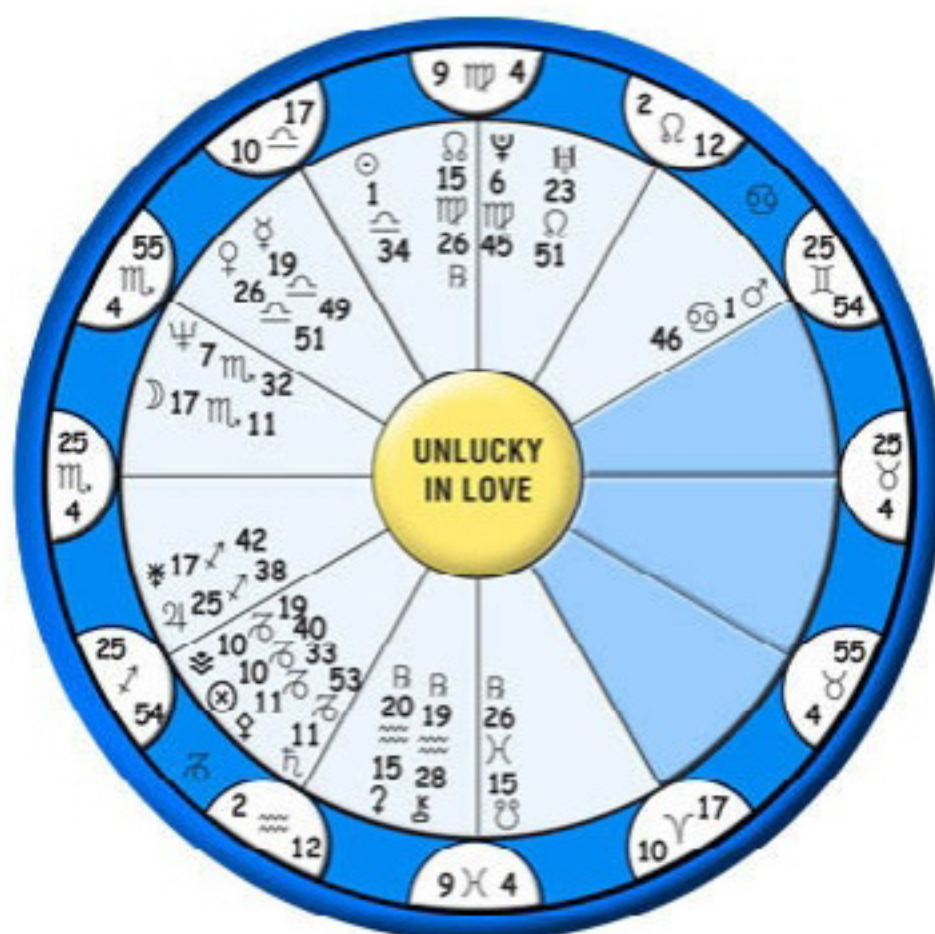
Dear Eileen, I am hoping you might be able to help me. I have been alone a long time after having been married and divorced four times. I have given up on ever finding someone to share my life with. I was hoping you could look at my chart and see why I have such trouble with men and if there is hope in the future for me finding love. I was born September 24, 1960, at 11:29 A.M., 41N46/75W03.

While I can understand why you feel like you have given up on love, you are still a Libran, which means that partnership of all kinds is vital to your sense of self and well-being. That said, let's take a look at your horoscope to see your relational dynamics and find out what the transits say right now about the course of your overall life direction.

The natal seventh house is traditionally associated with marriage and other significant relationships. You have the sign Taurus on the cusp of that house, with Venus, its ruler, in Libra in the eleventh house of friendship. Ideally, you have always looked for an equal partnership with someone who shares similar wishes and goals for the future. You also value friendship and probably have many significant partnerships in your life. While Venus rules over love and what we are attracted to in others, the planet Mars relates to the kinds of men you find attractive, as Mars is associated with the way in which we express our sexual desires. You have Mars in Cancer in the eighth house of deep change and transformation approaching an opposition to your Saturn in Capricorn. A Mars-Saturn aspect in a woman's chart

could suggest that the relationship with her father was an extremely challenging one or that the father himself was demanding or cold. Saturn in Capricorn sometimes indicates an individual who prefers older people, especially a much older marriage partner. Perhaps this particular astrological configuration describes you as having felt blocked by your husbands in some way, as a Mars-Saturn aspect suggests one's own desires coming up against external duties and responsibilities. This aspect also reveals that you are very hardworking and conscientious.

With three planets in Libra and a Scorpio Moon and Ascendant, you have a strong Libra/Scorpio signature in your chart. With the ruler of your Ascendant being Pluto, here placed in Virgo and conjoining the tenth-house cusp of career, you have obviously been very focused on a career, especially with the North Node in Virgo in your tenth house. While the South Node in Pisces in the fourth house compels you to seek emotional security and comfort, the North Node in Virgo suggests that you are more fulfilled in a professional life that provides you with a sense of competence in the outer world. Moreover, as the South Node relates to a karmic past, yours in the fourth house suggests that your original family life could not provide you with the sense of



safety you needed. We often hope that we can get what we never got at the South Node when we reach for the North Node, which is our sense of personal fulfillment in this lifetime.

With your natal Moon in Scorpio in the twelfth house, you are a very intense person with strong emotional needs for intimacy. You also need a lot of privacy and time alone, which is in contrast to your Sun's need to be part of a significant relationship. While your Ascendant, which is another indicator of self-identity in the horoscope, is in Scorpio, you have Taurus on the seventh-house cusp of marriage. Taurus on this cusp suggests that you are seeking physical and financial security through the other person. It is not unusual for a Scorpio Rising person to be married to the same partner forever while they themselves often have extramarital liaisons. I'm not sure if infidelity on your part or the other person's part played a role in some of your marriage challenges, but a Libra/Scorpio combination can sometimes imply a conflict between the need for a soul mate and the need for passion and intensity. It can be a difficult conflict for Librans because they seek an ideal relationship with someone with whom they can be in perfect harmony. It may be that you truly desired your marriages to be built on peaceful cohabitation, but you may have chosen men who were more challenging and less capable of a serene existence. With Mars in Cancer in the eighth house and Scorpio Rising, you are often attracted to intensity and power, which contrasts with your Libra Sun, which seeks a spiritual union.

You shouldn't blame yourself for having been married four times because at least you didn't give up on the search for a true partnership. Sometimes people have to go through many problems in their relationships in order to be ready and more capable of being in an equal partnership when they finally meet the right person. Fortunately, you have had transiting Saturn contacting your Ascendant since January

2014, a transit that continues through part of 2015. While this has probably been a big turning point for you regarding your career goals, it is also a time for you to reevaluate your life and make a commitment to steer your life in a new direction. It is easy for Librans to lose themselves in a marriage as they try to compromise and adjust to the needs of the other person in order to keep the peace and hold onto the relationship. This, however, is a time in your life to temporarily resist giving yourself over to other people and instead to focus more on yourself and your own needs. When Saturn is transiting through the first house of self-identity, the real work is not in the outer world, but within ourselves on all levels. This is a time to take care of your health, make new professional decisions, and focus on your own psychological growth. With Jupiter in Leo in your ninth house of travel, education, and higher consciousness now through mid-August 2015, this is a good time for you to explore expanding your world in order to regain a positive outlook on life. The more optimistic you feel about life, the better your chances of attracting a more life-affirming partner.

Given that you are a Libran with Venus, the planet of love, in the sign of Libra as well, it is hard to imagine you totally giving up on wanting to find the right partner for yourself. Your Venus is in its own ruling sign, which gives it tremendous power and strength. It also rules your seventh house of marriage, which increases the nobility of your Venus in Libra. Perhaps you need to give yourself credit for your successes in life and also give yourself credit for being brave enough to keep searching for love. Because transiting Pluto made a conjunction with your Saturn in Capricorn throughout 2014, your whole sense of reality has gone through a process of deep change. While Pluto can make us feel that everything is over, it also eradicates what we no longer need in order to make way for a new and more transformational reality. I have a feeling your life has just begun.

ABANDONED AFTER 25 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

Dear Eileen, At age 74, my life has taken a drastic turn. My husband of 25 years abandoned me because of my health problems. He wanted a happy retirement and a younger woman. He took our savings with him, leaving me with little. We have no children. Should I file legal charges since he lied about our wealth and the lawyer allowed it? I feel a long battle ahead of me. I was born March 6, 1940, (no time or place given).

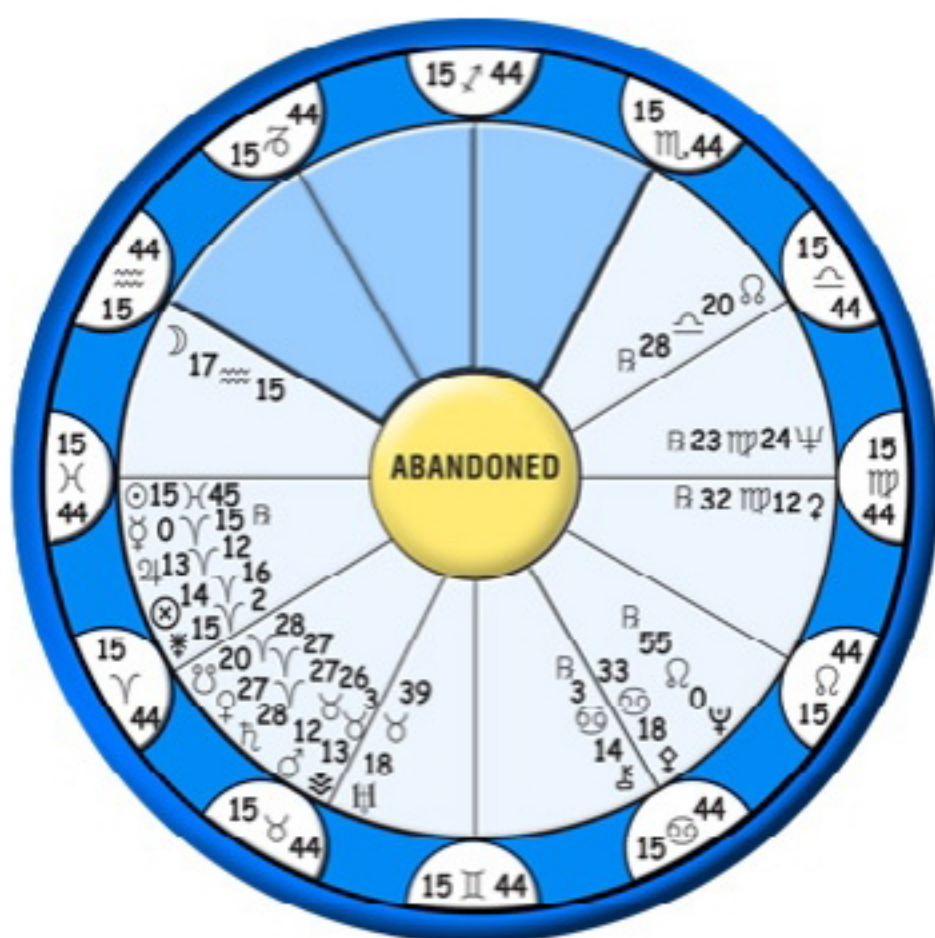
I am so sorry for your troubles right now, but let's take a look at your chart and see if there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Since you don't have a time of birth, I will discuss your solar chart, which is based on your date of birth. The solar chart is a powerful tool because it describes how we are experiencing our lives from inside our own psyche.

You have just finished having transiting Chiron in Pisces making a conjunction with your Sun in Pisces. This transit started in the spring of 2014 and will continue to be prominent until February 2015. Chiron is known as the Wounded Healer. When we are having a Chiron transit to our Sun, we are often wounded by someone or something that compels us to seek out a healing modality. This obviously has been an extremely wounding experience, given that you and your husband were married to one another for 25 years. While your husband may think that he is running toward a happy retirement, he himself will eventually have his own medical problems and I doubt whether a younger woman will want to take care of him. Because you are basically a very sensitive individual, it is important for you as a Pisces not to become a victim in this situation. That means that you need to take some action on your own behalf.

With your Aries placements (Sun, Mercury, and Jupiter), you have the capacity to fight against obstacles and overcome them. With your North Node in Libra in the

solar eighth house of shared resources, it is unfair for him to take all of the money, as Libra suggests a relationship of equality. Libra is also a sign associated with the law, and the North Node here indicates that you could have success in finding a legal compromise to this situation. While I don't have all the financial facts of your life together, it is still unjust after 25 years together for him to think he is entitled to all of the money. Perhaps you need to find another lawyer who will be willing to fight for what is rightly yours. With transiting Saturn moving through your solar ninth house of the law, you have come up against obstacles in this situation or felt you didn't have the right legal advice; however, Saturn moved into Sagittarius at the end of 2014 and will be in that sign through 2017, indicating a time for procuring better legal representation. Saturn moving out of your solar ninth house sign suggests that whatever legal blocks or obstacles you have been facing in this situation will begin to diminish in intensity.

While it may seem easier to forego the financial issues and let him go without a struggle, it is also important for you as a Pisces not to just disappear and allow someone to take advantage of you. With your Moon in Aquarius and your North Node in Libra, you like to play fair in your



dealings with other people, so it is difficult for you to understand how someone like your ex-husband could do something so unfair. Both your Sun and Mars are involved in aspects with the outer planets. This suggests that the man or men in your life are often evasive and unpredictable. Your Pisces Sun in opposition to Neptune implies that you longed for an idealized soul-mate connection, so your husband's behavior is very shocking to you and leaves you wondering whether or not you really knew him at all. Whatever his own transits are right now, there is nothing you can really do except move forward with your own life and try to come to a legal compromise on the money.

With three placements in Aries and the South Node in Aries, you have had to fight for many things in your life and you have the courage and tenacity to see yourself through difficult times. Transiting Uranus, the planet of radical change, is in Aries and will make a conjunction with your Venus-Saturn conjunction around 2017. During that time, you will make some big changes in your lifestyle and begin to feel more freed up from this particular period of your life. While this is a very challenging time for you, transiting Jupiter in Virgo will be in your solar seventh house sign from August 2015 through August 2016. During that time, you will be presented with new opportunities for personal expansion. While this may take another year, the future transits indicate that you will have financial protection and that you could benefit from legal matters, given that Jupiter relates to the law.

Transiting Neptune will make a conjunction with your Sun when you are around 77 years old. You are in a good period now for bringing resolution to this marital/financial problem so that you can enjoy some peace of mind when Neptune comes to your Sun in Pisces then. Neptune to the Sun suggests that you will need rest and recuperation and that taking care of your own physical and spiritu-

al well-being will be of the utmost importance in your life during that time. From August 2015 to September 2017, transiting Jupiter will provide you with protection, safety, and people who will be a positive influence on your life. When you are dealing with medical issues, the last thing you need around you is a marriage partner who is more frightened of what is happening than committed to being helpful and supportive. While it is easy for me to say, perhaps this separation will actually enable you to spend more time on your own health and healing and less time on fighting with a partner who has his own anxiety about aging. With Neptune coming to your Sun in Pisces, eliminate as much stress from your life as possible, fight for your legal rights, and know that better days are ahead. I wish you the very best.



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MONTHLY FORECAST FOR ALL SIGNS

— by JAN SPILLER —

As the year begins, there is a tremendous amount of energy in the atmosphere. We will be feeling a powerful drive for independence, which, if unchecked, can derail long-range goals. Consequently, the month calls for caution. It will be best to avoid impulsive moves that don't take into account the needs of partners.



The square between Uranus in Aries and Pluto in Capricorn that began in June 2012 is currently in orb and on its way toward becoming exact in March of this year. The urge to rebel against existing authority reignites. On an international level, the way these energies are playing out is already obvious, most especially in the struggles that are taking place in Ukraine and the Middle East. On a personal level, unrest translates to questioning whether the structures we have accepted as necessary for practical survival are too inhibiting regarding self-expression.

A square between Saturn in Sagittarius and Neptune in Pisces is also in orb this month. It stirs up internal conflict concerning our dreams and visions for the future. Some insecurity may be felt as we question our innate optimism and feelings of good luck. The good news is that this

powerful aspect is propelling us to manifest our dreams on a practical level. We simply need to remember to be sensible in how we go about doing that. Step-by-step processes are better at this time than bold leaps of faith.

Innovation and “thinking outside the box” will be emphasized this month. We will likely be most successful when we are able to let go of preconceived notions about how things should be done. Networking and collaborating with others can maximize the creative energies available. We'll feel motivated and inspired to take action. Things may not move as quickly as we'd like, however. Be sure to take your partner's needs into account for best results. It will also be important to take time to review plans and address unfinished business from the past before moving forward.

The Sun in Capricorn through the 19th will be encouraging us to take charge of our lives and to build a solid foundation for the future. This Capricorn energy lends a grounded, steady feeling that will be helpful for maintaining focus. We are likely to turn our minds to professional aspirations and personal achievements and will be evaluating how we present ourselves to others.

On the 4th, Mercury moves into the innovative sign Aquarius. This transit can ignite our desire to explore new ideas and take a different approach to problem solving. The time will be ripe for expressing creativity and mingling with people who can lend a fresh perspective.

Though we will experience a lot of mental activity, it might be hard to get the ball rolling on anything new this month. Mercury will turn retrograde on the 21st and won't be direct again until February 11. The psychological effects of this retrograde may be felt as early as the 5th, which marks the start of the "shadow period" of this cycle. This retrograde Mercury period will be helpful for resolving issues from the past that involve friendships, groups, and our communities. We'll need to be extra flexible in order to adjust to last-minute changes in plans. Miscommunication is likely, so patience will be necessary for being clear and making ourselves understood. On the other hand, it is a fantastic time to reconnect with people from the past. This will be a good month for creative brainstorming and writing projects; you may get some sudden inspiration that helps you to break free of writer's block or find the solution to a long-standing problem.

Venus, the planet of love, money, relationships, and self-worth, moves into Aquarius on the 3rd. This transit can add an unconventional flair to our romantic lives and help us to cultivate more spontaneity and open-mindedness. It's an ideal time for us to open our hearts to love and free our minds from limiting self-talk. For those in a relationship, it can be a time to make refreshing changes with your partner. You will be able to recognize and celebrate your own individuality as well as your partner's unique traits. It can become clear that pursuing our passions can strengthen our connections with loved ones, just as long as we encourage them to do the same.

For singles, friendships can take a romantic turn, and love can emerge in unexpected places. Creative endeavors can prove to be profitable. It's a great time to do research and develop new ideas. We'll be more likely to accept and celebrate those aspects of ourselves that set us apart from the crowd. This can be a powerful month for building self-esteem and

supporting others who are "going against the grain."

Mars moves into Pisces on the 12th and then conjoins Neptune on the 19th. This can add a peaceful tone to the latter half of the month. Mars, the planet of passion, ambition, and anger, stimulates inner visions and private dreams and prompts us to actualize them. Still, it may seem difficult to identify what we really want. It may feel much more comfortable to go with the flow and wait to see what opportunities come our way. While circumstances may appear calm on the surface, be aware that unexpressed emotions could cause tension. It will be important to find a creative outlet; otherwise, we may find ourselves acting out in a passive-aggressive manner. Regardless, this is a great month for pursuing artistic visions and getting motivated about fulfilling our dreams. We could get fired up about our ideals and may feel compelled to stand up for anyone we perceive to be the underdog. Mars in Pisces helps us transform compassionate feelings into meaningful action.

The NEW MOON each month is a POWER DAY, a time favorable for new beginnings. Things wished for on the day of a New Moon, if written down on paper, take root in the energies of the month and through the process of natural unfoldment begin coming true. This is the day to take pen in hand and compile a wish list (with 10 wishes maximum) of things you would like to happen in your life.

Because this month's New Moon occurs in AQUARIUS, wishes related to that sign are especially potent: worldview, humor, objectivity, knowledge, going with the flow, friendship, groups, innovative ideas, altruism.

Sample wishes: "I want to view life in a way that sparks my sense of humor"; "I want to be aware of, and act on, good timing"; "I want to be more objective in my perceptions regarding _____"; "I want to easily gain the knowledge that will em-

power me to manifest my dream of _____”; “I want to easily attract and enroll in the right class that will open me to the knowledge I seek”; “I want to easily find myself realigning my thinking in cooperation with my destiny”; “I want right insights that lead to my dream of _____ coming true”; “I want to easily find myself ceasing to take things personally.”

This month’s New Moon occurs on Tuesday, the 20th, at 8:14 A.M. E.S.T. The first eight hours after the New Moon is exact are the most powerful for wishing, but up to 24 hours afterward will still work. For the exact best times for writing your wishes during this month’s New Moon, check out www.janspiller.com within three days prior to each New Moon.



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Your Natal Jupiter



How to Be the Best You Can Be

by Phillip G. Stephens

Today is the 28th of May, 2014, as I sit here thinking about how Jupiter's placement within the natus is trying to get each of us to be the best person that we can possibly become. While my methods/search for Jupiter's secrets within the horoscope may seem as though I have cut through the heart of scientific protocol (Pluto), I assure you that my originality (Sun-Uranus) will prove to be inventive.



Even though my directness (Pluto) may not endear me to many of my colleagues (Virgo) or superiors (Pluto disposes tenth-house planets), my potential to become the best person that I can possibly be will depend on the position of Pluto within my horoscope.

In my natus (May 30, 1959; 9:40 P.M. P.D.T., Van Nuys, CA), Jupiter is placed within the eleventh house (Scorpio, Pluto's sign). This is an indication that leads me to believe that the entity in question could become "the best person" that he was meant to be by involving himself with others.

In terms of networking (Jupiter in the

eleventh), this is a rather progressive position for Jupiter, which means that the subject in question will not be allowed to manifest his "inner visions" within the group unless he learns just how to persuade others to become his allies (Cancer).

With Pluto in the eighth (Virgo), my success within the group (Jupiter) will be in direct proportion to my study/efficiency via initiation through the occult/mysticism.

However, in order for me to become the "messenger or connector" that I was meant to be, I must keep in mind that it is my Sun (Gemini) that truly represents my "core essence."

What this means is that my potential to become the very best person that I can possibly be (Jupiter) will depend upon my ability to broadcast (Sun in Gemini) the very heart of what I have discovered (Leo) in my search for the truth via the occult/mysticism (Pluto in Virgo).

Actually, with Aries on the cusp of my fourth house, this is truly my “reason for entry.” And with the Moon in the third (Aries), I came into this world with a thing or two that will come in handy, especially when it comes to writing about or materializing the very creativity that is inherent within the assignment sheet of the Sun (Gemini).

Isabel Hickey told us that she believed that Pluto would prove ultimately to be exalted in Pisces. If she was right, this means that my “study/efficiency via initiation through the occult/mysticism” (Pluto) would be most at home within the laboratory of my mind’s imagination (Pisces), especially when it comes to the “dream-world” of “network communications.”

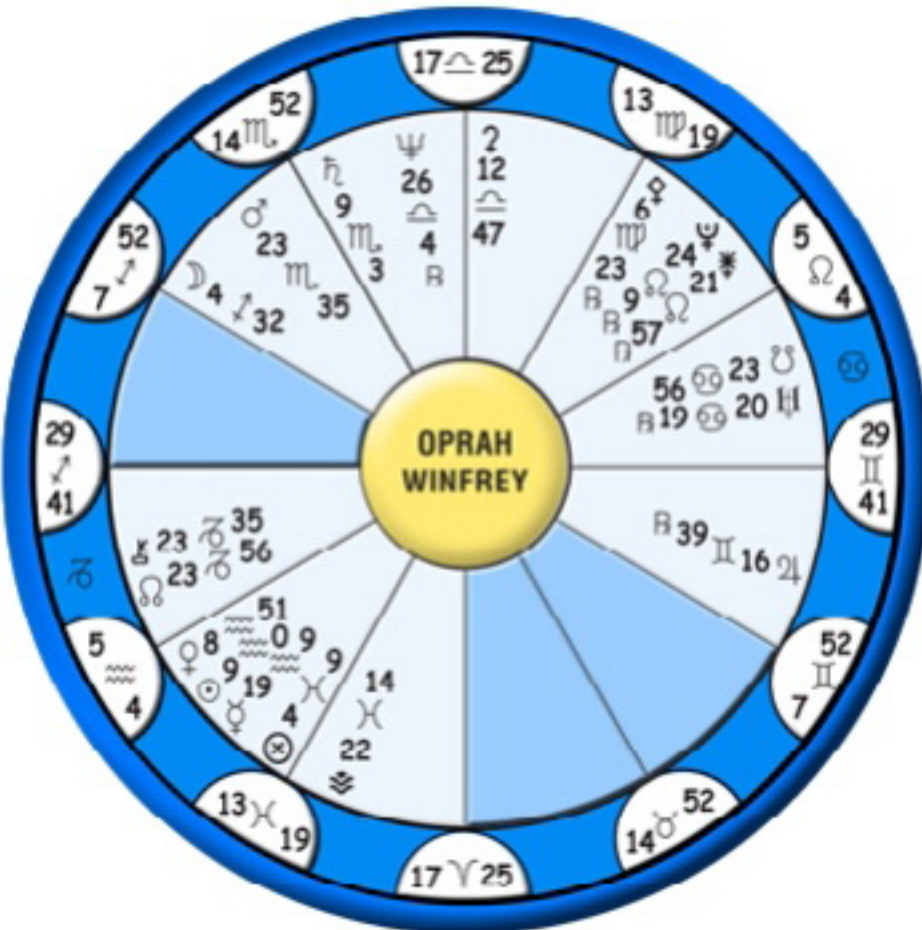
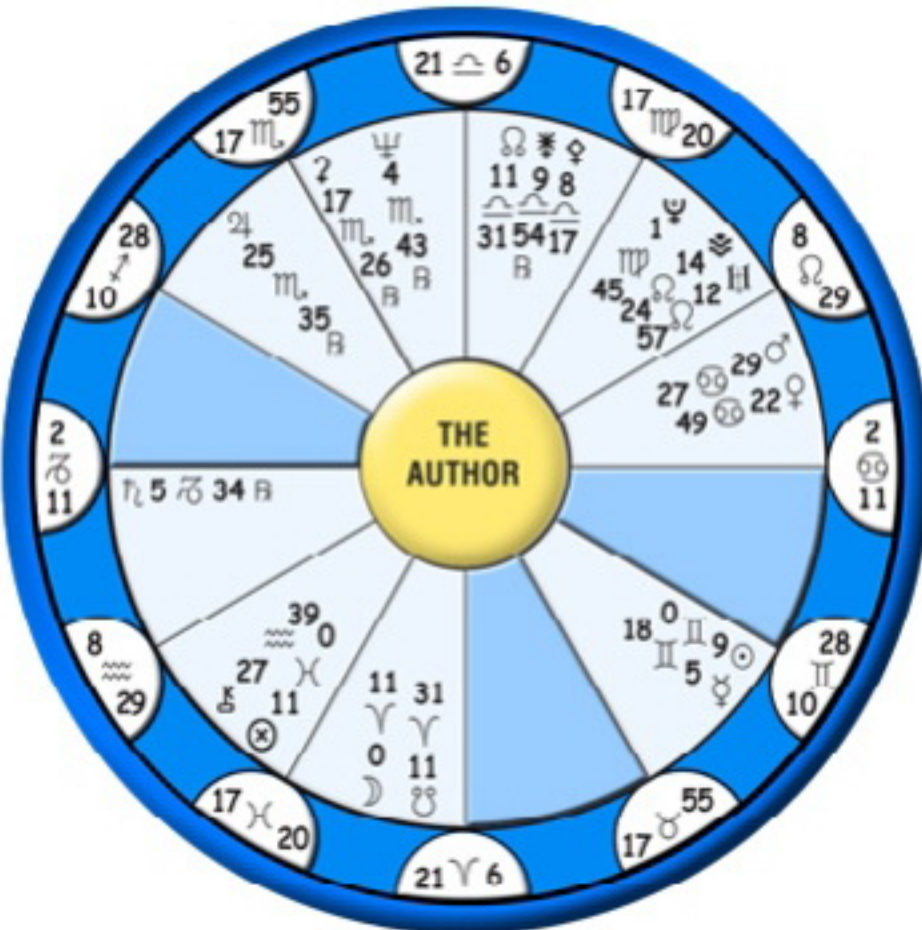
Oprah Winfrey (January 29, 1954; 4:30 A.M. C.S.T.; Kosciusko, MS) came into this world with Jupiter in the sixth house (Gemini). This is an indication that her potential to become the best person that she could possibly become would revolve around a career in communications.

Mercury in the second house further indicates that her need to serve others (Jupiter) through some type of communication (Gemini) would be grounded with plenty of deliberation, as well as sound logic.

This is also the signature of one who is a fertile thinker who just happened to be further blessed with an impartial mental slant (Mercury in Aquarius) that would have a fascination for the latest ideas that are ultimately injected into group consciousness.

Whether it was through providing a stage for the wild magnetism of a “Doctor Phil,” who could cut through to the heart of things, or the refinement of a Maya Angelou, Oprah has remained true to her inner core (Sun in Aquarius) by trying to revolutionize our behavior through the various “progressive thinkers” that she continues to promote through satisfying a need that has to do with her recognition of what her social duty is in this particular incarnation.

Maya Angelou (April 4, 1928; 2:10 P.M. C.S.T.; St. Louis, MO) came into this world with her natal Jupiter in the eighth house but on the cusp of her ninth in Aries. She was someone who had her internal pilot on all the time (Aries), especially when it came to her need to get to the very core of another’s personal limitations/prob-



lems (Cancer, sign of Jupiter's exaltation, on the cusp of her twelfth).

In looking at her natal chart, with Mars, the dispositor of Jupiter, in the seventh house of alliances (Aquarius), we can see just where it was that she and Oprah shared a common goal, especially when it came to their particular take on the subject of spirituality (Oprah's Sun in Aquarius).

Miley Cyrus (November 23, 1992; 4:19 P.M. C.S.T.; Nashville, TN) came into this world with her natal Jupiter in the fifth (Libra). This is the signature of one who is a born saleswoman. It could also be that this particular entity will guide/teach others through her own sense of inner worth.

While Venus in Capricorn (eighth) is usually proper in matters that pertain to sexuality, its conjunction with Uranus obviously accounts for her inclination to take others aback, especially when it comes to her somewhat surprising displays that are capable of catching some just a bit off guard.

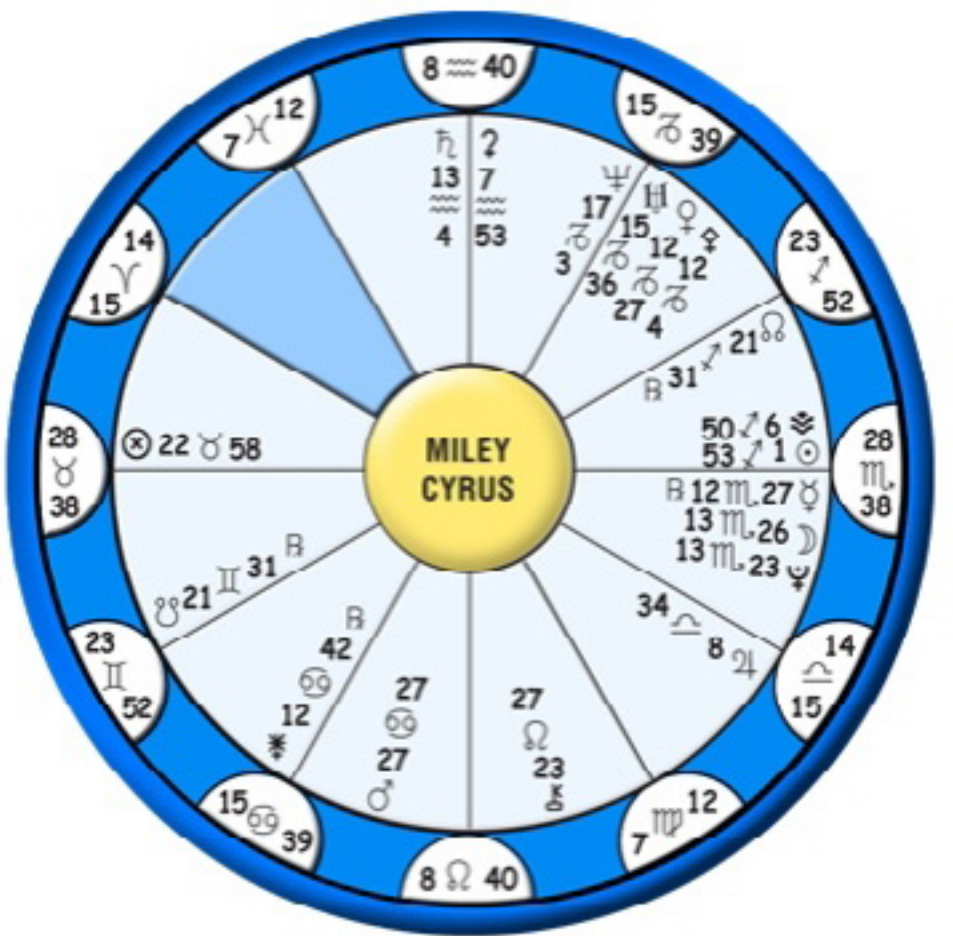
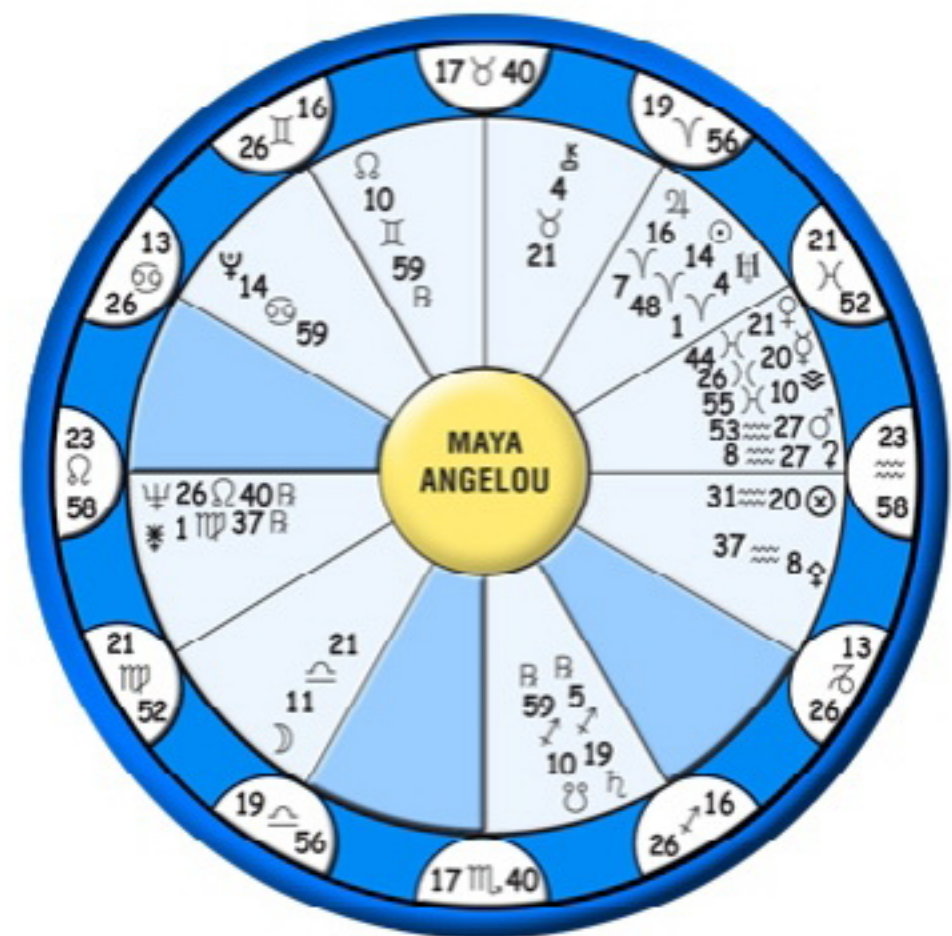
I find it rather fascinating that Chiron is in the house that pertains to her "early home life" (Leo), which obviously has an affinity for her seventh-house Sun (Sagittarius). It could be that Miley Cyrus is trying to become the best person that she is capable of becoming by surprising

others (Venus-Uranus conjunction) through her career as an entertainer (Jupiter in the fifth).

However, I also believe that she is dealing with some kind of emotional pain (Chiron) that is influencing her creative urges (Leo). While she may be a born strategist, her Sun is in his accidental detriment by virtue of being in the seventh, and she has Aries (the Sun's exaltation) on the twelfth. I can't help but believe that her direct/candid approach is connected to her repressions (Aries), which are linked back to her unconscious (Leo).

Venus is obviously connected to her alliances, while Uranus should be associated with her hopes/aspirations. Therefore, when it comes to Neptune it could be that she will never be known for her practicality in the aforesaid matters, due to her personal limitations/problems (Aries) that stem from her early home life (Leo).

There is something tragic about this particular horoscope that disturbs me greatly. It could be that about the time she reaches the age of twenty-seven, the cross (Venus) that she is struggling to gain mastery over will manifest itself in the form of a great crises (Mars). I would expect that this crisis would reveal itself when Mars is under stressful configuration by progression.



While humanitarian aspirations (Saturn in Aquarius at the top of the chart) will be central to this particular entity's internal urge to contribute something of importance, she will most assuredly have a reputation for being different.

Let us now take a look at the chart of **Michael Douglas**, the award-winning actor and producer, associated with such films as *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, *Wall Street*, and *Fatal Attraction*. We see that his natal Jupiter was in the tenth (Virgo) conjunct Mercury at the time of his birth (September 25, 1944; 10:30 A.M. E.W.T.; New Brunswick, NJ).

Michael Douglas would become the best person he could possibly be (Jupiter) once he mastered (Virgo) the ability to communicate within the context of his career (Jupiter in the tenth). Jupiter is most at home in the house of higher learning, the ninth, and Douglas has Cancer, the sign of Jupiter's exaltation, on the cusp of that house.

However, his Jupiter-Uranus square indicates the possibility of a problem when it comes to higher learning that seems be linked to speech (Uranus in Gemini).

Moreover, when Mercury is conjunct Jupiter, as it is here, the expansion of the mind through effort and hard work (Virgo)

can be sidetracked by a restlessness that can keep one from focusing one's dreams (Uranus), which relates directly to the entity's "reason for entry" (Aquarius on the fourth-house cusp).

It is usually the tenth house that will guide us when it comes to themes concerning our social duty; however, this writer has found that the Ascendant will usually tell us just a little bit more about those themes concerning the roof of the natus.

Notice now that Uranus is the planet that rose ahead of the other planets "in that space of the heavens" that is "most devoid of planets in the given horoscope, and this has an effectiveness somewhat similar to the position of a planet as rising in the houses by its position near the Ascendant." (Marc Edmund Jones)

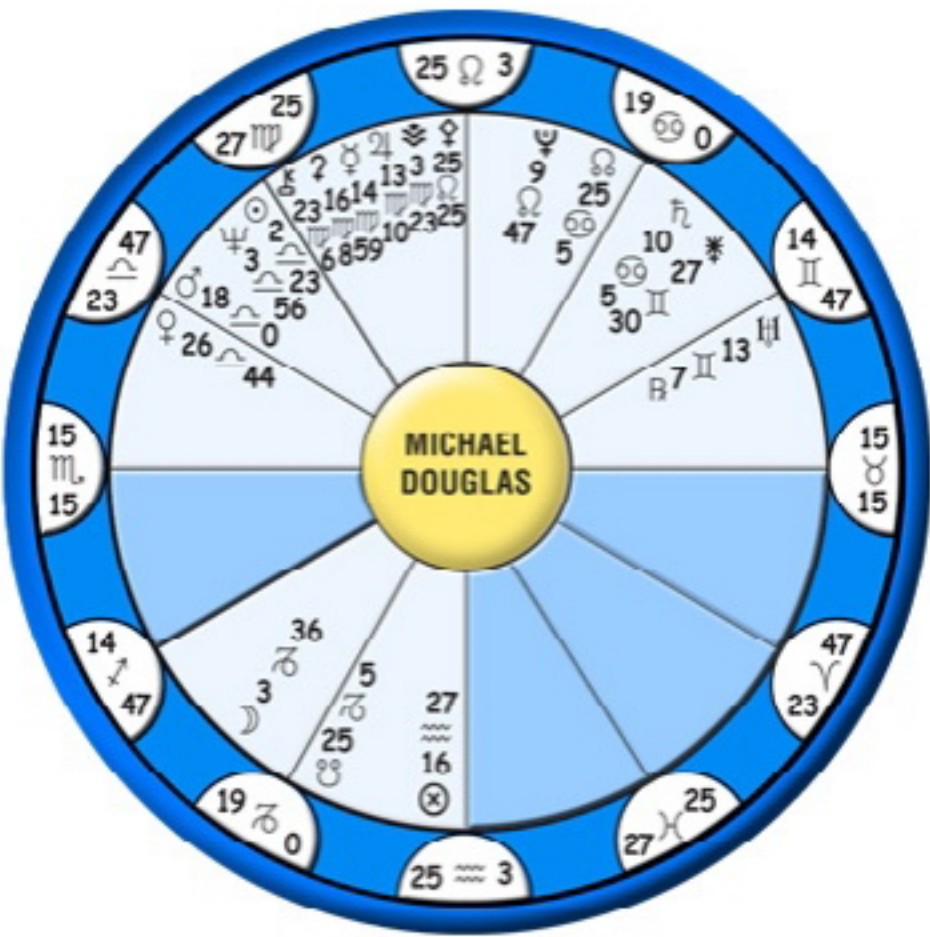
Therefore, Uranus indicates that the subject would be favored in his profession by taking his place within the context of television. In fact, it was his independent mental approach/problem solving that landed him his role as a detective on "The Streets of San Francisco."

When Uranus is the leading planet (in Gemini), it can certainly manifest in the form of a friendly disposition; however, when this combination is physically in the seventh, the subject can be a bit unsympathetic should his partner in life (Uranus in the seventh) become riddled with psychological weaknesses.

It is not so much that these people will be cold or unemotional as that they might seem to be just a little indifferent/detached.

This in turn can affect the sexual passion that existed between those who were unable to keep their hands off each other. This position of Uranus also enjoys sex of all kinds; in fact, people with this position are known for their ability to be innovative, especially when it comes to sexual matters; they also have a thing for drugs or anything that is taboo.

It seems that Michael Douglas was at a friend's home when they were



watching Zorro. This is when he first noticed Catherine Zeta-Jones. It was reported that she stole his breath away on sight. Keep in mind that we are talking about a man who was known for his long list of ladies and sexual conquests, whether they were on the screen or not.

While attending a film festival in France,

the two finally had a chance to get together. This meeting would mark the beginning of a courtship that would last for nine months. Of course, we are talking huge bouquets of roses. It was a courtship fueled by the kind of infatuation that only a true goddess of film could inspire in someone like Michael Douglas...and now you know the rest of the story.

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A young woman decided to take up bingo while Jupiter (luck) was transiting her fifth house of speculation/gambling. Her winnings paid for her games and made her new pastime fun while awaiting the arrival of the stork, also a fifth-house blessing.

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Those born under the sign of Virgo—that is, having the Sun, Moon, or Ascendant placed in this mutable earth sign—are usually very prompt and punctual in all their dealings with others; they have no patience with people who are not. They can be counted on to show up for a scheduled rendezvous at the appointed hour (if not a bit early) without fail. A Virgo-born teacher answers e-mails she receives on the same day that they arrive; this promptness almost always startles the recipients of her mail.

Looking Ahead

BUSINESS

Advertise, sell, canvass, sign papers: Jan. 7, 20, 24. Submit manuscripts: Jan. 3, 13, 20, 29, 30. Make collections: Jan. 14, 18, 19, 27. Seek employment, promotion, favors: Jan. 7, 18, 19, 27. Deal with bankers or credit people: Jan. 17, 20, 27. Travel by car, bus, or train: Jan. 3, 9, 10, 17, 29, 30; by air: Jan. 13, 20, 24; by water: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 22, 31. Buy an automobile, machinery, tools, implements: Jan. 9, 10, 18, 19, 27. Buy or repair home appliances: Jan. 4, 5, 13, 31. Buy home furnishings: Jan. 4, 5, 18, 19, 22, 31. Buy permanent home or office, sign long-term leases: Jan. 4, 5, 13, 18, 19, 31.

HOMEMAKING

Baking: Jan. 4, 5, 9, 10, 27, 31. Canning: Jan. 4, 5, 9, 10, 14, 31. Preserves and jellies: Jan. 4, 5, 9, 10, 14, 18, 19, 31. Dehydration or drying: Jan. 7, 17, 24. Dress-making, mending, designing: Jan. 3, 13, 20, 29, 30.

THE WAY TO LOVE, BEAUTY, HEALTH

Romance, entertainment, weddings: Jan. 7, 13, 20. Photography: Jan. 3, 14, 22, 29, 30. Buy clothing and jewelry: Jan. 9, 10, 20, 27. Buy shoes: Jan. 9, 10, 22, 27. To stimulate growth of hair, have trims, start scalp treatments: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 18, 19, 24, 31. Retard growth of hair: Jan. 8, 9, 10, 28. For permanent waves on hard-to-curl hair: Jan. 14, 24; easy-to-curl hair: Jan. 4, 5, 22, 31. To eliminate corns, calluses, warts, blemishes, superfluous hair, begin treatments: Jan. 9, 10, 18, 19. Diathermy, electrical and magnetic treatments: Jan. 3, 13, 20, 29, 30. Osteopathy and chiropractic: Jan. 7, 14. Mental healing: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 22, 31. Testing eyes: Jan. 7, 17, 24. To wean infants or animals: Jan. 9, 10, 27. Begin dental work: Jan. 9, 10, 18, 19, 27. Begin an exercise regimen: Jan. 3, 7, 17, 24. Begin a diet: Jan. 4 to 19.

LEISURE-TIME ACTIVITIES

Music, poetry, painting: Jan. 7, 13, 20. Fishing: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 17, 22, 31.

FARMING

Plant top crops: Jan. 1 to 3; Jan. 20 to 31. Plant root crops: Jan. 4 to 19. Budding, grafting, pollinating blossoms, or transplanting: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 15, 22, 23. Pruning: Jan. 3, 7, 18, 19, 29, 30. Seeding grain, hay, cereals: Jan. 3, 9, 10, 27, 29, 30. Cultivating, grubbing, trimming, spraying, deadening noxious growths and weeds, destroying pests: Jan. 3, 18, 19, 24, 29, 30. Set poles, fence posts; make cement or concrete; lay cornerstones or foundations: Jan. 6, 7. Digging, drilling, tunneling, mining: Jan. 4, 5, 14, 22, 31. Dig or drill wells: Jan. 4, 5, 22, 31. Harvest top crops, pick fruit: Jan. 4, 5, 9, 10, 27, 31. Harvest potatoes and other root crops: Jan. 14, 18, 19, 22. Set chicken and turkey eggs: Jan. 4, 5, 27, 31. Set duck eggs: Jan. 4, 5, 22, 31. Set goose eggs: Jan. 14, 22. Buy poultry hatched on: Jan. 4, 5, 9, 10, 27, 31.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 10TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- job interests and responsibilities
- dealings with important people
- efforts to attain your goals
- honors and popularity

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- developing new business tactics
- taking care of parental matters
- attending to necessary chores
- solidifying your credit rating

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- letting others infringe on your time
- trying to do more than you can
- ignoring orders of authority
- risking your position in life

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

You're a cardinal sign and carry into the new year the ambition of Capricorn. You set your goals for the year ahead aligned with energies at the apex of your chart, impelled by the Sun, the force at the center of our solar system, and Venus and Mercury for a few days. This success-driven combination will help you make sound, practical plans to optimize your special talents.

Troublesome dates, however, throw your plans, or moods, off track. On the 3rd, the Sun squares Uranus and conjoins Pluto. You'll want to break from tradition and authority to do your own thing or make your own mark, which sets off struggles with those in charge or regarding what is professionally (or parentally) expected of you. The 4th's Full Moon makes it an emotional struggle that requires your attention to mitigate home/work troubles. Venus and Mercury entering Aquarius, however, bring a friend to the rescue or make your social world a supportive refuge. If a bad mood lingers, the 6th's Sun-Saturn semisquare can continue the bitter, frustrated edge.

A real boost to your energy and drive is your ruler, Mars, in Aquarius through the 11th, supplemented by couldn't-be-friendlier Mercury and Venus, making you charmingly persuasive and fascinating in groups and communal affairs; the Sun and New Moon (20th) add to this vital group buzz. An altruistic cause may set you to action, or tech gadgets may become appealing as you spend a lot of time on social media sites. Put your dreams and hopes back on the

front burner. Reach for the stars. Dates of rousing potential are the 1st, 13th, 14th, 19th, and 28th. Stability prevails on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd. Watch for excess energy seeking an unsettling or disruptive outlet on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th, when friendly relations become troublesome. In this midst, Mercury retrogrades in Aquarius (21st), starting a three-week period of misunderstandings in your social circle and with friends. Projects you'd taken a huge leap forward on stall. Information is confusing or lacking. Wait out these weeks patiently before making big decisions, making promises, or believing all you hear, even if someone has a convincing line on the 30th.

When Mars moves into Pisces (12th), it enters your house of solitude and inner-psyche work. Slow down, rest, and recharge your energies, especially after so much social activity. Contemplate all that's happened so far. Meditate. Do yoga or T'ai Chi. Research. You may spend time in a hospital helping another or work for a charity. With your energy confined, you'll deal with repressed anger and brooding resentments, targeted when Mars squares Saturn (15th). Don't fight yourself (or others) over these rising feelings. Look for soft spots to fall when Mars conjoins forgiving, compassionate Neptune on the 19th, sextiles Pluto (30th), and then falls into Chiron's embrace (31st), helping you overcome inner rage and be at peace and thankful.

- - Ronnie Grishman

1ST TH. You start the year in your characteristic rousing way, having a grand old time with friends or loved ones. It's possible a jealous loved one will make an energetic bid for the attention you're giving to friends.

2ND FRI. There's excess energy to work off today as well, and you might need to talk it out or get out with the locals and see what's going on in your neighborhood. Maybe brunch with a sibling?

3RD SAT. Rebellious activities set off controlling or power-struggling reactions from those with authority. Calm down and don't tempt unsettling upsets. With Venus entering Aquarius, turn to a friend.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON is an emotional trigger to building family or work stress and may require immediate attention. Mercury enters Aquarius harmoniously, so a supportive friend still stands by you.

5TH MON. If you need advice, a pal or an in-law may be the right person to turn to for sound solutions. Tack a reasonable strategy onto a vision of the future. Avoid emotional defensiveness this evening.

6TH TU. You're always ready to play when the Leo Moon comes around, but be careful that you don't re-stir the friends vs. loved ones situation that started the new year. That could engender more tiffs.

7TH WED. If you're an early riser, you'll get the chance to be the independent spirit you always crave to be. Later, a romantic partner or child may be moody, but forgiveness resolves differences.

8TH TH. You're fired up to find ways to enjoy yourself, even if it means elbowing in on others' pleasures. Still, a sense of "live and let live" can guide you through touchy waters.

9TH FRI. You're impatient, restless, and maybe reckless, too, not good qualities in accident-prone situations; but you want things to go your way and may make unsettled moves to break from confinement.

10TH SAT. Revenge or retribution in a mild form may be the result of yesterday's rebellion. If it's coming from a friend, perhaps an apology is in order. Align effort and intention and things can be resolved.

11TH SUN. It's hard to see the forest for the trees, which means assessments and judgments are way out of line. Going overboard, or helping another do so, will only push an immoderate scheme.

12TH MON. Your ruler, Mars, enters Pisces, confining your strong vitality and signaling a need for rest and recuperation of your emotional and physical energies. Watch for angry defensiveness today.

13TH TU. Even if you don't actively seek ways to enjoy fun and meet interesting new people, the universe will set the scene for exciting stimulations for you to enjoy. Pleasures are emotionally fulfilling.

14TH WED. Whatever "ooh la la" happened yesterday is followed up today by interesting news or responses that open the way for your more liberated side. Say yes quickly if it sparks your interest.

15TH TH. Unexpressed anger or resentments, stewing suspicions, or self-rage have no good outlet. A restraining authority may set you off and negatively impact your view of the future or sense of optimism.

16TH FRI. The usually no-holds-barred Sag Moon sets you up for fun and freedom, but restraints and misdirection make you angry again at being held back from expressing your independence.

17TH SAT. You'll get a lot more bang for your buck today when it comes to pleasures. Talks, relations, and unobstructed joy make you a happy camper and fun playmate. Travel and kids are also delightful!

18TH SUN. It may still be the weekend, but it's more about getting ahead than having a good time. You can, however, make strides toward a goal if you hopskotch over a few problems on your way to the top.

19TH MON. You may want to score big-time fun with friends or a romantic interest, but your energy is confined, confused, or hesitant; you're diluted from taking direct action, causing a passive-aggressive fever.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON stirs up your interest in friendships and social activities in the coming weeks. Plant the seeds for communal hopes and causes that you'd like to see activated.

21ST WED. You and a friend have much to say, which could turn more than "friendly" by tonight, but Mercury retrogrades in your social sector and it's three weeks of misunderstandings and incomplete data.

22ND TH. The Pisces Moon sets off feelings of constraint, low energy, repressed anger, and weakened initiative. Maybe rest or creativity is the answer.

23RD FRI. There's a chance to set right and restructure stability in affairs that have gone haywire, but don't react subconsciously. Re-order with reason.

24TH SAT. You'll rev up to the beat of the Aries Moon and be able to rely on those far away or friends close by, leaving you feeling satisfied and supported.

25TH SUN. The morning may test your patience, but more jovial trends set in this afternoon. Still, you're anxious to feel unfettered and may make a scene.

26TH MON. Have your talk or liaison this morning, when receptivity flows. Later, a friend may show a jealous side if you're too involved with other goals.

27TH TU. A morning money move can pay dividends by noon. Don't squander them later. Venus enters Pisces, perhaps bringing company into your solitude.

28TH WED. A dream may provide you with an inspiring idea that works well under quick action. Tonight, watch for gossip, criticism, and bad moods.

29TH TH. Take a chance on something new or different. It'll perk you up when you chat with others and provide fresh stimulation; but hold back criticism.

30TH FRI. Isolation or an old union may get under your skin, but reparation toward a goal focuses you. A friendly talk is lively and full of will and intention.

31ST SAT. The Cancer Moon generally brings out insecurities and defenses, but a pre-noon encounter will instead send caring vibes into your heart center.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 9TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- contacts with people at a distance
- future projects and legal matters
- religious and spiritual affairs
- relatives through marriage

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- attending to correspondence
- being willing to alter plans
- heeding the views of others
- making your aims known

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- arguing over beliefs and politics
- confiding in treacherous people
- making errors in judgment
- mixing up communications

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

As a practical sign, you'll approach the new year with a plan at the ready, goals to achieve, and a to-do list at your side (or on your computer or tablet). You'll have the ambitious Sun in Capricorn trining your sign for added fuel, plus your ruler, Venus, and communicator Mercury in this professional sign for a few days, all helping you align a dynamic plan for the future. Even though you like the status quo and a steady-as-she-goes approach, you might want to try something new or innovative now. However, on the 3rd, when the Sun conjoins Pluto and squares Uranus, made more anxious by the 4th's Full Moon, you might feel a sense of stressful anxiety or inner doubt about your agenda. Don't let this hold you back. Put aside that accumulating to-do list and inner fears and set out to experience the adventures you've been planning.

With Venus and Mercury entering Aquarius early in the month, you'll feel your professional zone abuzz with possibilities and potentials, especially rousing or fortuitous on the 1st, 4th, 5th, 13th, 14th, and 19th, although "easy-does-it" and "don't overdo" should be guiding themes. Special dates for Venus-ruled you: the 4th's stabilizing Venus-Saturn sextile; the 13th's exciting Venus-Uranus sextile; the 19th's Venus-Jupiter opposition; and the 20th's Aquarius New Moon. Socializing with colleagues or a boss could bring favor and fortune to your status and reputation, with rewards possible in tangible, financial ways. But watch for troubles

that could undermine the security you seek on the 25th and 26th, especially when Venus is troubled. When Mercury retrogrades in Aquarius on the 21st, however, all these forward-moving potentials stall or hit a snag. Communication becomes confounding. Big decisions shouldn't be made because needed information is lacking. No matter how good a plan sounds on the 30th, don't make commitments until Mercury is direct again.

Assertive Mars enters Pisces on the 12th, bringing its warm charge to your zone of friendships, communal causes, and social groups and shifting the major activity to those areas. You'll want to spend more time with a caring friend or invest your energy in an altruistic cause or favorite charity. But when Saturn in your joint-financial-affairs zone squares Mars and Venus (15th, 30th), don't put your trust, or your funds, into untrustworthy ventures or misleading friends. Even if you have heart-centered reasons for helping someone out, it could end up hurting your financial security and not helping out the friendship. Even though the pleas might be for money, offering compassionate help may be the best way to go, especially when Mars conjoins Neptune on the 19th (a time definitely better to give from your heart than be misled from your bank account). When Mars sextiles Pluto and conjoins Chiron (30th, 31st), you'll see the therapeutic effects of this kind of giving.

1ST TH. Whether it's because you partied too much last night or some other reason, you feel limited, and that forces latent frustrations to surface—a good motivation for resolving to make the new year better.

2ND FRI. A sense of aggressive, disruptive urgency could negatively affect your sense of equilibrium. To counteract it, maintain a calm, deliberate approach in the face of upsets and outbursts.

3RD SAT. Contemplate the regenerative effects that travel and learning (among other things) can have on your future. Over the next three weeks, pay attention to where social connections can help you get ahead.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON signals that news in coming weeks can be disruptive, but also gives you something to think about. Hasty judgments could be risky, but some drastic decisions may still have to be made.

5TH MON. It's time to think strategically and keep long-range goals in view. Have serious discussions. Make inquiries. Professional or parental discussions can be consequential, but very positive.

6TH TU. Doing whatever you can to promote a friendly, congenial atmosphere at home or among colleagues can have rewarding consequences. At the very least, it will make the day enjoyable.

7TH WED. Whether someone is putting up roadblocks or you are the one who is being resistant, it seems like nothing will get done until one person agrees to be the leader while the other elects to be a follower.

8TH TH. As far as household or career affairs go, it won't likely be a peaceful day. To avoid causing things to go from bad to worse, you'll have to try to hold your temper, as well as stay out of the line of fire.

9TH FRI. Early impatience is fueled by indecisiveness. Emotional responses tend to be distant, aloof, or critical. Everyone seems to be in a nervous, edgy mood. Setting priorities is the only solution.

10TH SAT. When it comes to deciding what to do for fun, it's best to stick with the tried-and-true. Avoid overdoing—and that warning extends to the question of how many people to include in your plans.

11TH SUN. Teamwork, balanced judgment, and shared experiences are key factors in the success of a weekend project. Social gears may not mesh smoothly, though, leading some to feel disappointed.

12TH MON. Starting today, Mars gives your social life a boost for a full month. Consider how and where teamwork can help you further or achieve your aims. A friend may need you to come to his or her aid.

13TH TU. A contact that is unusual in some way, maybe even exciting, can enhance your career or reputation, perhaps through confidential news or advice. Brilliant ideas are the rule now, not the exception.

14TH WED. It will take a good measure of adaptability to cope with today's challenges, which can come from hidden sources that trip you up. To intercept problems, do your homework and be prepared.

15TH TH. With the Moon in your opposite sign, you may have to share the spotlight today. Be sensitive to the feelings of a mate or partner, who may now tend to do things in a big, dramatic way.

16TH FRI. Your thinking is sharp and focused on getting all your financial ducks in a row in order to accomplish goals, but needed money may elude you. Hopefully, though, someone is ready to pay up.

17TH SAT. Moods should be buoyant and optimistic, and that makes things somewhat easy. Another's cooperation, if not resources, is a definite asset. Your confidence makes you irresistible.

18TH SUN. Note a way to make a practical demonstration of your faith. Friends are congenial and a nice distraction from things you need to take care of, and a brief escape will do you good.

19TH MON. Though the price for doing so seems high, you may have no choice but to go along in order to get along, particularly where family and people you work with are concerned.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON marks this time as an important day for career goals. You can push your way into a better position or gain some leverage. Solid, substantial support can come your way.

21ST WED. Mercury's retrograde takes the wind out of your sails a bit for the next three weeks, slowing down—but not stopping—your work progress. It's all about planning and regrouping now.

22ND TH. Be careful and measured when responding to a friend. With the emotional crosscurrents, there's a chance you don't have the full picture.

23RD FRI. There's a continued focus on friends, but they may be a distraction. It might be a challenge to juggle them with work and family.

24TH SAT. Put your mind to finding a solution to a limiting situation. Put aside some time to think, dream, and meditate. An out-of-the-way place holds appeal.

25TH SUN. A pet theory may be put to the test early, when someone or something challenges its practicality, and after which you'll prefer seclusion.

26TH MON. With the Moon entering your sign, you'll be feeling your oats, but it may take effort to convince others you're right. Someone is not being direct.

27TH TU. Over the next three weeks, your social stock should soar, permitting you to enjoy a boost in popularity. Friends become more important.

28TH WED. It might be worth it to brush off an old (or recent) idea and give it a try as a solution to a current situation. Think outside of the box.

29TH TH. Your thinking can be quite effective regarding anything financial. Your impressions are accurate. Friends and money are an uneasy mix.

30TH FRI. Check up on your personal finances. Decisions get stalled. Transactions may require additional time or details before they can be finalized.

31ST SAT. Your emotional sensors are highly tuned, giving you a knack for understanding others. You and a friend are wonderfully in synch.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 8TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- secrets and hidden talents
- legacies and inheritances
- debts and collections
- joint money affairs

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- accepting financial aid from parents
- getting along with what you have
- trying to improve your health
- finding relaxing pastimes

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- not keeping abreast of financial matters
- being too possessive and secretive
- making plans based on illusions
- speaking too forthrightly

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

If you made resolutions for this year, let's hope there were some financial ones on the list. Your agenda is usually more creative and intellectual, but money can be an issue as you enter 2015. Commit to staying in personal control of your fiscal world, especially with Pluto holding intense dominion in your joint-finances zone. On the 3rd, the Sun conjoins Pluto and squares unsettling Uranus in your house of friends and social groups, followed by the 4th's emotional triggering Cancer Full Moon bringing your personal income-and-savings sector into the picture. Don't let someone force you into an unstable money move or press you for a loan. Defend your economic territory and keep what's yours. Take positive steps toward earning a good living on your own and you won't have to rely on others who might claim your money by pushing you around or playing on your nature to help someone out.

There are more good times to be had from a host of happy celestial events in fellow air sign, Aquarius, trining your sign from your zone of travel, positive outlooks and enlightened perspectives, and people or interests far away. This is an adventurous host of planets, enticing you to explore the world, possibly with a lively love interest, and experience happy escapades in tandem. If you fly solo, the 13th's Venus-Uranus sextile could be key in lighting up an exciting new partnership, boosted by the congenial New Moon in Aquarius on the 20th. Other rousing

dates for fun far away are the 1st, 14th (say "yes!" with your ruler, Mercury, sextile Uranus), 19th, and talk-it-out or tell-it-all 30th. Other helpful dates are the 4th, 5th, and 23rd, but watch for unsettling trends on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th. On top of that, Mercury retrogrades here in Aquarius on the 21st, perhaps bringing a halt to your pleasure-seeking adventure, stalling delights, confounding directions, turning meaning into misunderstanding, or causing unexpected transportation or travel problems. If you're traveling around that date, double-check all arrangements and make sure your papers are in order.

Mid-month, you may also have one eye on professional matters when Mars, the action planet, enters Pisces (12th), joined by Venus on the 27th. This can fire up your ambitions, although the Pisces energy can make them hit-and-miss, passive-aggressive, or stop-and-go rather than full-on assertive. You might take your eye off the relationship arena during this business pitch; that could sour a sweetie's face when Saturn, now in your partnership zone, squares Mars and Venus on the 15th and 30th, especially if you become "all work and no play" all of a sudden. If you're looking for forgiveness or understanding for your miscreant ways, Neptune can provide it, but it might be back to dreaming about professional advancement and career achievement instead when Mars and Neptune conjoin on the 19th.

1ST TH. You start the year with a rousing communication boost as talks, beliefs, and debates put your best thinking to the test with those close by and far away. Watch for a sobering Gemini Moon, however.

2ND FRI. The Moon still in your sign makes you active, wanting things to go your way. Morning stimulations gear you up for the day. Put your best foot forward and you'll jump over obstacles.

3RD SAT. There's an edge in the air, possibly from a jumpy friend and a power-hungry money connection. Avoid these complications and Venus entering Aquarius opens the way to weeks of friendly pleasures.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON is on your fiscal axis, bringing an emotional urgency to recent money affairs. Don't be pushed or pressured. Instead, revel in Mercury's entry into Aquarius and its intellectual boost.

5TH MON. A reasonable attitude, idea, or decision from a partner strikes you as just the right perspective. If making a decision, approach it logically and take the proper time to consider all angles.

6TH TU. The Leo Moon is trying to lure you out to play in your own neighborhood or at local activities, but news or friends from afar compete for your attention. Don't let a grumpy companion bring you down.

7TH WED. An upbeat pre-breakfast encounter could set you off into the day whistling a happy tune, but watch for more complications in communication after that. If you need it, forgiveness is available.

8TH TH. You might be mulling over a serious matter; just don't let it turn into an obsession. An active talk agenda keeps you busy, but don't let a lively chat turn into a debate. Rise above evening depression.

9TH FRI. Niggly home affairs might require more of an emotional investment than you'd like to make, but it can pay off by tonight. If there's anger in your environment, try to stand back from getting involved.

10TH SAT. There may be a carryover early this morning from yesterday's unhappy simmering, but it can blow over quickly if you appreciate all that home and family have to offer—a good lesson for the day.

11TH SUN. Don't believe all you hear when it comes to credit affairs or go overboard impulsively. The bill collector always arrives. Instead, try to enjoy the stability and security that come from love and children.

12TH MON. Enjoy a pre-dawn connection with someone who brightens your mood and offers love and excitement. With Mars entering Pisces, put your gaze onto your professional agenda and reputation.

13TH TU. A post-midnight exultant mood peaks into an exciting encounter this afternoon. If you're open to someone new and interesting, a friend or someone far away could offer a break from the usual.

14TH WED. Say yes quickly to a friendly offer or an invitation to travel or have some other kind of adventure. A bright, positive outlook lets you see the road ahead filled with all good things.

15TH TH. If you're spending too much time pursuing an ambition or having to put in overtime at work, a grumpy companion or mate could make things tough for you. Frustrations and obstacles abound.

16TH FRI. The Moon in Sag brings morning emotional signals from partners, most of them harshly reminding you of the responsibilities you've been neglecting. Fortunately, the afternoon restores harmony.

17TH SAT. What a difference a day makes! Exciting trends revitalize partnership connections from midnight through a happy afternoon. Enjoy this lucky run of pleasure, fun, good conversation, and accord.

18TH SUN. Try to restrain judgments today. Don't overpromise or exaggerate. Assessments are askew. When it comes to shared financial interests, take action on a reasonable, moderate plan.

19TH MON. Overindulgence flies across your communication zones, letting loose extravagance in romance. Don't follow a pipe dream or be deceived professionally, but do let an idealistic lodestar guide you.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON lights up your sector of travel, education, and the future, which looks full of bright promise and interesting people. Your perspective on the world expands fascinatingly.

21ST WED. Mercury retrogrades for three weeks (although tonight promises love), bringing travel, transportation, or communication problems. Double-check information and watch for misunderstandings.

22ND TH. Trouble with your career or your life path can bring you down, add confusion or stress, or cause problems with a mate who wants more time.

23RD FRI. You can be grateful for the stability provided today by a committed relationship, a beginning romantic union, or a child.

24TH SAT. An enthusiastic Aries Moon rouses social activity. You've got friends near you who provide you with both stability and happy, easy satisfactions.

25TH SUN. There's fun potential on the social scene today, so make sure you schedule time with friends, some of whom, however, may be restless souls.

26TH MON. If out-of-the-box enjoyments engendered some jealousy yesterday, the heat from it arises today. Forgiveness and understanding are the cures.

27TH TU. Venus enters Pisces, making this the time to start networking professionally and creating harmonious alliances with those who can help you out.

28TH WED. An unusual offer or perspective helps bring about innovative solutions with a friend, but a grumpy mood or mate tonight sours a sweet day.

29TH TH. The Moon in your sign has you dancing to a lively tune. Get out and about early and chat up some congenial friends, but avoid tiffs tonight.

30TH FRI. News from afar can lift your spirits and brighten future prospects. If a relationship turns downcast, there's a chance to fix things later.

31ST SAT. There might be emotional triggers to spend today, satisfyingly so this morning and perfect for brunch with a caring loved one or friend.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 7TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- partners, teammates, allies
- changes of environment
- expanded interests
- public relations

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- looking for better associates
- being attentive to your mate
- letting others take the lead
- trying to be impartial

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- trying too hard for recognition
- neglecting necessary duties
- irritating influential people
- thinking only of yourself

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

Let's hope you put your own needs high on your New Year's resolutions list. You've been dealing with the desires of others for so long, it's time you took care of yourself, especially if you've been ignoring your own basic essentials while taking care of the needs of forceful or demanding partners. Pluto has been dominating you from your relationship zone for a while, and you'll feel its intense effect quickly when it conjoins the Sun as the Sun squares Uranus (3rd), followed on the 4th by a Full Moon in Cancer lighting up your sign and personality sector. You're all about taking care of others—as yours is the sign of maternal nurturing—and when you haven't been sacrificing what you want for a strong partner or loved one, business has had you hopping around on a hectic, stressful agenda. But this lunation is an emotional trigger telling you to “turn around, look at me”—meaning *you*! Your relationship and professional worlds are going to keep turning and churning, so you need to put your foot down, stop the music, and ask for the love or caretaking you need from others. If that doesn't work, you may need to rethink your partnerships while supplying yourself with much-needed self-love, or there will be a bitter aftertaste on the 6th.

The year also starts with an emphasis on your fiscal affairs, with a big jump-start under the 1st's Mars-Jupiter opposition, and a Venus-Jupiter opposition on the 19th following up this over-the-top agenda. Don't bet your own big

bucks or let anyone else score big-time credit on your cards. When the bills arrive, you're the one who'll have to pay. If there's something exciting you feel impulsively drawn to (a tech gadget?), the 13th and 14th might be the days to go for it, when Uranus sextiles Venus and Mercury. Problems could arise, however, on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th, although the link between money and work is under stable influences on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd. A co-worker might be able to help you create a money-saving budget or strategy, seeded by the 20th's Aquarius New Moon. Another caveat is Mercury retrograding here on the 21st. No matter what's gone on before, this is strong advice to stop on the path to reckless shared-credit spending. Take the next three weeks to reexamine your economic picture and what needs to be revised in your budget to revitalize your financial future.

Your energy levels may also need revitalization with Saturn draining your vitality. Make sure you're enforcing good health and exercise routines and that work regimens aren't wearing you out. You're the caretaker of the zodiac, but you need to take time to make sure your well-being is also being attended to, especially when Saturn squares the physical-action planet Mars on the 15th and then Venus on the 30th (both now in Pisces). The Mars-Neptune conjunction on the 19th could inspire your dreams for the future, however, so make sure you've got the energy to follow them.

1ST TH. There's a risk of going too far. An inner sense of restlessness could push some into going on a spending spree of some sort. Whatever you have in mind to do, make sure you're not jumping the gun.

2ND FRI. Someone has a surprise in store for you. Another person's spontaneity challenges your ability to adapt. You'll have an easier time of it if you don't try to fence anyone in.

3RD SAT. If you haven't yet made any resolutions for the new year, today could provide the impetus for planning future changes in the form of people with whom you interact—but don't let them pressure you!

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON in your sign can make you feel like the spotlight is on you—uncomfortably so. Circumstances in coming weeks may force you to consider the necessity of making major changes.

5TH MON. You can effectively make plans concerning whatever needs to get done. Put together a to-do list. Review your benefits package. Schedule doctor or dentist visits. Arrange to get repairs done.

6TH TU. It won't take much for you to be talked into making a purchase today; shoppers will find plenty to entice them, or at least do some price comparisons. Current aspects facilitate financial deals and agreements.

7TH WED. If you're looking to others to provide you with validation for choices you've made, you might be disappointed; others prove to be a hard sell. You can't please everyone, so just please yourself.

8TH TH. Appetites are strong, but the desire for quick results can lead some to make bad choices, particularly where spending is concerned. But impulsive moves can be unwise for careers, too.

9TH FRI. Travel and transit can be difficult. Talks may be problematic, too. The desire to be too accommodating on someone's part can lead to agreements that satisfy no one. Put all the issues on the table.

10TH SAT. Don't overbook/overplan your day. What seems like a good idea early can lose its appeal or fail to live up to expectations. Team up with the wrong person and you'll just scatter your energies.

11TH SUN. Indications are good for anything involving home, family, and domesticity, all of which can be put on a more sound basis, particularly early when influences favor building from the ground up.

12TH MON. With Mars trine your sign for a full month you have confidence to take on challenges and get things done. Get started! Travel, education, beliefs, or foreign things inspire you and get you fired up.

13TH TU. When it comes to your image, standing at work, or business prospects, it pays to be willing to color outside the lines. Talks and new information can be true eye-openers.

14TH WED. Whether it's frustrating job conditions, workmen who fail to show up, or your own under-par health, conditions can cause you to feel thwarted. Instead of succumbing to hard feelings, keep your eye on goals.

15TH TH. An early taste for self-indulgence may be hard to resist, for you as well as someone you'd like to win over. Partners can reignite a spark, but it could turn volatile later.

16TH FRI. You may feel like the underdog (or under the weather) for some reason this morning. Regardless, you'd be better off figuring out real solutions instead of escaping into Walter Mitty-type fantasies.

17TH SAT. Things are looking up. You have no trouble drumming up support. Your skill and accessibility are great helps. It's a good day to lend a hand or get advice concerning repairs or health.

18TH SUN. It's hard to pin down the source of early moods, but that won't stop anyone from lashing out. If any time is wasted in the process, you'll be looking to make up for it later.

19TH MON. Something you need or value needs watching; otherwise, you could lose out. Financial extravagance should be curbed. You might want to keep an eye on a mate in that regard, too.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON favors new starts with a progressive slant. Solid progress comes to those who are forward-thinking. Regarding work, benefits, and health, it's important to plan ahead.

21ST WED. Like yesterday, there's an accent on planning, but the focus over the next three weeks is on taking stock of what has already transpired. Spend, but don't overdo it; look for a good quality/price ratio.

22ND TH. An ability to sell yourself and your ideas will serve you well on the job. A dose of stability, support, and encouragement comes with financial backing.

23RD FRI. Don't be tempted into taking a shortcut to a goal. Answers you get may tend to bend the truth. Refrain from jumping to conclusions.

24TH SAT. Try to get as much mileage out of today's fortunate trends that favor pursuing goals and making things happen.

25TH SUN. The need for approval and recognition can be a strong motivating factor. Ask yourself if what you do or buy is really in your own best interest.

26TH MON. There may be no satisfying some people today. You might have to spend some time deciding just how much you want to give.

27TH TU. Innovative ideas can help promote moneymaking or business interests. It may be worthwhile to revive some you've shelved for a while now.

28TH WED. Friends or group involvements are interesting, but also quirky. Later, discrimination in speech is essential; it may be better just to be quiet.

29TH TH. A kind word gently spoken at the right time can work wonders. You may catch wind of a hidden fact or rumor. Don't rely on others' support.

30TH FRI. You may be caught off guard. Don't be credulous if another seems to know more than you. Get a second opinion about financial advice.

31ST SAT. Morning depression yields to a more inspired outlook. Enjoy activities that appeal to your imagination. If you've got a hunch, follow it.

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July 23 - Aug. 22

EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 6TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- relations with fellow employees
- occupational efficiency
- dependents and pets
- health and diet

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- helping people to overcome worries
- associating with idealistic people
- welcoming new work or methods
- staying on the job

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- getting involved in another's problems
- not letting others express their views
- nourishing an inferiority complex
- going at too fast a pace

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The month starts with your ruler, the Sun, the center of our solar system—which makes you the center of your universe—in ambitious Capricorn, accompanied by Mercury and Venus for a few days. This emphasizes your house of work, health, and service, where powerful Pluto has been a dominant influence for quite a while. When the Sun conjoins Pluto and squares restless, reckless Uranus in your sector of travel and beliefs on the 3rd, you might feel like you're being powered by a nuclear reactor with unrestrained, destabilizing energy looking for a place to explode. These inner anxieties could blow up unexpectedly under the stressful Cancer Full Moon on the 4th in your inner-psyche zone, spewing unexpressed repressed energies and feelings in all directions (troubling on the 6th and 11th as well). Try to control your urges for world power and look for ways to be personally grateful for what's in your immediate world, aided by therapeutic Chiron in compassionate water-sign Pisces helping out this emotional lunation. Meditation, T'ai Chi, yoga, therapy, journaling, and other inner quests can help you find peace and calm in the middle of the storm and assist you in getting at what's really bothering you so you can work on fixing it.

Another big emphasis is in Aquarius, lighting up your relationship house with high-powered strobes. Assertive Mars is here until the 12th, with let's-love Venus and talk-to-me Mer-

cury also in residence, boosted by the blooming Aquarius New Moon on the 20th. If you want it all, now's the time to expect it—rousingly so on the 1st and 19th—under these sugary romantic and persuasively passionate influences. Connections are exciting when Venus and Mercury sextile Uranus (13th, 14th) and secure and stable when they sextile Saturn (4th, 5th), a combination that could take a romantic partnership and turn it into a permanent relationship under the foundational Sun-Saturn sextile on the 23rd. Watch for a declaration of love on the 30th. If there are rocky problems, however, they'll show up on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th. Another thing to watch out for is Mercury retrograde here on the 21st. After this point, it's not wise to make a commitment. Misunderstandings replace affection. Something—or someone—from the past may come back for resolution.

Speaking of other people, make sure your eyes are open with Mars in Pisces transiting your shared-financial zone as of the 12th. This can inspire dreams (most of which are pie-in-the-sky), but it can also bring deceitful actions from someone with whom you share money, especially at the 19th's confusing (as well as idealistic) Mars-Neptune conjunction. Don't invest in something, or in someone, who may not be trustworthy or the "real thing," or let yourself be pushed into unwise action. Avoid dotted lines that bind you to anything.

1ST TH. A rousing ping-pong tournament for attention between you and others, or one special someone, peaks. An overdose of assertive enthusiasm can turn you on or turn partners into antagonists.

2ND FRI. There's still an excess of energy today, so find a healthy, non-abrasive outlet for it. Congenial niceties, perhaps with a group of friends, is like buying more support with sugar than with vinegar.

3RD SAT. You're under the gun, or trigger, riled to obsessive control (or lack of it); you're an outburst away from exploding. Challenges or threats do harm to your health. Look to unusual partners for aid.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON can set off inner rage that is detrimental to your physical well-being. Don't play the victim or wound anyone else. Regroup and re-strategize; there's stability and support available.

5TH MON. Reason returns and makes thought, communication, and decisions smart and wise, especially if they involve a relationship and your future. If you're planning a trip, get to the details now.

6TH TU. You may feel down in the dumps or stuck under an obligation or physical strain. The Moon in your loving sign always seeks happiness, but there may be opposition to joy in today's talks and relations.

7TH WED. After a liberating morning or enjoyable breakfast, the generous Leo Moon is still forced to make adjustments, especially under this afternoon's awkward power play. Forgiveness may be in order.

8TH TH. Noontime opposition can turn into antagonism if you let it. Instead, try to engage an assertive partner in an energetic way so that both your needs are tended to. A kind word leads to understanding.

9TH FRI. There may be rebellious or unsettling rumblings from a spouse or companion, setting the day off on a crippling, disruptive note. Let those who need personal space take it without making a scene.

10TH SAT. If yesterday's break, break-out, or outburst had an unpleasant impact, negative repercussions coil intensely this morning. If you can let this go, a later-morning good mood puts you back on solid ground.

11TH SUN. You're apt to lose a sense of moderate measure, dipping toward excess, exaggeration, or an unbalanced sense of self or ego; yet emotional balance and harmony are available if you seek them.

12TH MON. If you're an early bird, there's time for a lovely partnership exchange. Later, unions get more flustered. Mars enters Pisces, activating shared finances, sexual ties, and emotional intimacy.

13TH TU. If you're looking for a bit of excitement in a new relationship or trying to enjoy a new level of contentment within an existing one, make sure you're out, about, and available today!

14TH WED. There may be something stirring within a relationship that arouses deeper feelings, but emotions on the home front may be harder to maneuver. A difficult talk and clashing relations bump harmony.

15TH TH. There's a sense of not having enough to tend to the needs of loved ones, whether financially or emotionally. Pull out of this tailspin and you'll find resources restored in some fashion by evening.

16TH FRI. The Moon in high-wheeling Sag sets off your desire to have fun, enjoy life, play (with your own children or by letting out your inner child), or create; but you may chase more pleasure than is available.

17TH SAT. What a difference a day makes. All the pleasure you sought but couldn't find yesterday rushes forward to greet you: happy accord, playful companions, good news, and a bright, positive future.

18TH SUN. You'd rather have the weekend for fun than discipline, but there's energy available to get things done and make mutual strides when it comes to money and joint holdings, even a budget.

19TH MON. An opulent, extravagant allure links you to others, or one special someone. Who's going to win the bid for the spotlight or lure you into boundaryless sexual or fiscal bliss—or misguidedness?

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON can be a restart for partnerships, although they have the ball in their court and their emotions rule, especially with your ruler, the Sun, entering Aquarius for the next month.

21ST WED. Mercury retrogrades for the next few weeks in your relationship sector. Unresolved issues arise for a second look; or an old lover resurfaces (even if only in your mind). Look for evening unity.

22ND TH. It may be hard to draw appropriate lines when it comes to sharing. You may feel someone is withholding, but don't grapple to get things back.

23RD FRI. After recent instability, there's someone you can count on today, allowing you to create a long-term commitment if that's what you want.

24TH SAT. Someone, maybe you, provides enough stability and security to make others comfortable. By afternoon, there's happy pop-back in a good tie.

25TH SUN. You may have to handle some serious issues today or deal with a partner who makes a sudden spurt toward more freedom or independence.

26TH MON. You've got faith and forgiveness in your heart if it's needed, but jealousy in a relationship can be a difficult follow-up to yesterday's break away.

27TH TU. Venus enters Pisces, bringing a sense of harmony, sensitivity, and no-boundaries to intimacy and money, but watch for navigational troubles at home.

28TH WED. A smart, sudden, or innovative idea, offer, or decision from a partner is just what's needed to make things good again. Take this second chance.

29TH TH. The tides of communication work in your favor, especially satisfying this morning. If you're looking for support or accord, you'll find it by afternoon.

30TH FRI. Mutual funds may be lacking for extras or luxuries, but there's a way to repair the situation. Listen closely to inventive insights from a partner.

31ST SAT. You may need some time to yourself to rest and recharge after so much recent hectic activity, which can provide much-needed rejuvenation.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 5TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- pleasurable pursuits and hobbies
- efforts to promote yourself
- romantic attachments
- talents and skills

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- showing your fondness for loved ones
- investigating financial conditions
- grasping business opportunities
- doing things with others

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- not taking hold of personal problems
- letting others lead when you should
- failing to be dependable
- neglecting your health

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The year starts with several different celestial constellations affecting your leap into 2015, the first in Capricorn where the Sun resides. This falls in your house of love, pleasure, creative expression, and children, with Mercury, your ruler, and lovely Venus traveling along for the first few days of the month. Pluto has been holding dominion here for a long time, deeply influencing a love connection or your tie with a child, as well as your own mode of expression, hobbies you pursue in your free time, or what you do for pleasure. On the 3rd, the Sun conjuncts Pluto and squares Uranus, followed on the 4th by an emotionally driven, socially zoned Full Moon in Cancer, putting your nerves to the test about love, friendship, and how close you are—or want to be—to others. If money is in the picture, it amps up the intensity. You don't want to lose control and give all your power to others, but you also don't want to lose the transforming effect possible from these relationships, which could cause a rigid pullback on the 6th.

However, Mars and Venus move forward into soft, concerned Pisces on the 12th and 27th, bringing a compassionately curative tone to all your important relationships. Logic, fears, and nerves dissolve as you become smitten again with those you love, especially powerful under the 19th's Mars-Neptune conjunction (which also has the power to confuse, delude, deceive, and mislead). When Saturn squares Mars and then Venus on the 15th and 30th,

family members may express disapproval over your open commitment to someone, but this is the time to follow your bliss, not another's rules—especially with healing Chiron offering therapy by month's end.

The other big trend is in Aquarius, starting with the 1st's rousing Mars-Jupiter opposition in your houses of inner well-being and work in the world, where you'll have to find balance between daily service and inner calm. You've got to concentrate on physical wellness—signaled by the 20th's Aquarius New Moon—to pull yourself out of an ongoing reverie that keeps looping you back into worry, fear, and existential angst, all more troublesome on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th. But there are good links as well. All that time put in at the office can bring tangible—financial—benefits. Rewards-giving Venus and smart Mercury also in your work zone harmonize excitedly with Uranus in your money sector on the 13th, 14th, and 28th, and what you do may produce unexpected economic favor; and you get to keep it with stable Saturn sextile Venus, Mercury, and the Sun on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd. The caveat is Mercury's retrograde on the 21st. Old issues you thought done come back for resolution, which may not present itself until Mercury goes direct. Watch, too, for misunderstandings, lack of needed information, and wrong judgments or conclusions, important to remember for health matters as well.

1ST TH. You may be feeling uncharacteristically bold and daring, which urges you to push past your usual reserve and take a chance. If you think it through, you may be smart enough to make a risk pay off.

2ND FRI. You and others want to express yourselves independently. It's great to be "free to be you and me," even though it can be destabilizing. There's motivation to look better, feel better, or make things nicer at work.

3RD SAT. Drastic measures have a certain appeal, but do they really offer the best solutions? Feeling under pressure, some will think they have no other recourse but to make sweeping changes.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON may push you to shift your priorities, particularly concerning people in whom you've invested a lot emotionally. There's a powerful ebb and flow as far as friends are concerned.

5TH MON. Your analytical quality is one of your best assets. You can make it work for you now by putting into place plans concerning home, work, and health and getting better organized.

6TH TU. Obligations could get in your way. Regardless, you'll have more to consider than just your personal interests. A confidential talk can clear the air. Like it or not, you're dependent on another.

7TH WED. A challenged Moon in your twelfth house is a signal to avoid troublesome people and events. Feeling overly touchy and sensitive, your reactions to problems most likely won't be the most productive.

8TH TH. Some volatile aspects prevail, which could precipitate an untimely outburst or provoke a mishap. Take calming, deep breaths periodically and remind yourself not to be in such a hurry.

9TH FRI. This is a day to coordinate your thoughts and emotions to get a clear picture not only of your day, but also your life. Distracting influences can steer you off your path unless you decide to set your own course.

10TH SAT. Since you'll likely have your head in the clouds, it's not worth it to try to get anything done. Do something purely for fun, instead. You're easily disappointed, so keep expectations realistic.

11TH SUN. You and others are prone to practical thinking this morning, especially when it comes to matters of money or value. Later, though, a tendency to give in too easily could lead to regrettable decisions.

12TH MON. Mars opposite your sign for a full month starting now can increase involvements with other people, making them more dynamic, but also more volatile or confrontational. Some will be downright pushy!

13TH TU. Contacts made through employment can generate excitement. New people arrive on the work scene, or someone you already know piques your interest. An original approach refreshes routine.

14TH WED. A home-partnership conflict could ruin your day, and resistance to plans, restrictive obstacles, or frustrating delays may add to the host of difficulties. For now, just rest and regroup. Hold your temper!

15TH TH. It seems that there's no such thing as moderation this morning, perhaps the result of an attempt to overcompensate for recent frustrations. Don't let such excess and overdoing set the tone for the day.

16TH FRI. Today could bring the revival of a recent clash involving a personal, relationship, or domestic issue. It won't be easy, but you should try to understand contrary people and their attitudes.

17TH SAT. You might enjoy puttering around the house. Expansive plans are favored, especially if they relate to home, family, and basic security. Cook something for dinner with a foreign, exotic flavor.

18TH SUN. If tempted to cut yourself a little slack on a health regimen, go ahead—but don't overdo it. Set limits to protect hard-won gains. Teamwork and support are plentiful for getting a chore done.

19TH MON. You could have stars in your eyes over a current relationship or partnership. Someone knows all the right notes to hit to weave a magic spell. A reality check is good insurance against disillusionment.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON can begin a period of improved vitality and health. Begin an exercise program or new diet; start home improvements. Job seekers should search out new leads.

21ST WED. Mercury's station signals a need to review, revise, and take stock re: health and work. During the next three weeks, make sure you communicate clearly and understand directions.

22ND TH. Reality clashes with fantasy in some way. Someone paints a rosy picture, but you're better off listening to those who talk hard facts.

23RD FRI. The Moon can bring to light interesting and diverse facets of life concerning partners. Pay attention to what others say and do.

24TH SAT. Stick with what you know, especially if it involves laying out any cash. Talk things over with your mate before making purchases.

25TH SUN. Today is an improvement over yesterday; wherever you had problems then, you can enjoy progress now. Feelings are acted out.

26TH MON. An offer of help can come with strings attached; know what others, especially colleagues, want before you say yes.

27TH TU. Over the next three weeks, if single, you can meet someone who sends your love life into orbit; those already involved may see their commitment deepen.

28TH WED. A bright idea that strikes out of the blue has potential to be your ticket to work success and profits. Don't be modest; show off your genius.

29TH TH. Seek recognition and publicity. Career qualifications should be given consideration. Views of higher-ups can benefit you if taken into account.

30TH FRI. Others may view your time as a measure of your commitment to them, and vice versa. It will be a challenge to see to it that everyone gets enough.

31ST SAT. Friendship is a dominant theme, and enjoyably so. It's a day for spending time with those you love. Caring for others brings mutual comfort.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 4TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- completion of pending projects
- improvements of property
- community affairs
- family activities

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- showing patience and maturity with elders
- being objective, conservative, practical
- safeguarding your fortunes and health
- avoiding domestic arguments

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- forcing showdowns at the wrong time
- evading responsibilities at home
- speaking in haste or anger
- not preparing for the future

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

An emphasis on ambitious Capricorn in your house of home, family, and emotional foundations leads you into 2015. What you want may have more to do with the roots of your life than with public goals. Things at home, or deep within you, have been on a transformative path for years with Pluto here, making you feel as if there was more of an inevitability in events than personal control. On the 3rd, the Sun conjoins Pluto and squares Uranus, triggered emotionally by the 4th's professionally-zoned Cancer Full Moon. A sense of coiled intensity may set you to make sudden changes that you've long ached for or to hold your ground against someone pushing unsettling, unstable change into your life. If this is about your search for emotional and domestic security, pull back from struggles and regroup your forces to find a way to gain what you've been searching for so long.

A congenial celestial group in Aquarius happily distracts you from this intensity. Jupiter, reveling in your Leo social zone, has made friends joyful companions. The 1st's Mars-Jupiter opposition may find you hopping from love to friendship, enjoying the social and romantic attention. You and your one-and-only make a grand splash socially, or new opportunities are a merry-go-round of flirtatious choices, especially when your ruler, Venus, sextiles exciting, uninhibited Uranus and opposes Jupiter (13th, 19th). Love may win out with the 20th's New Moon in Aquarius reminding you of the plea-

tures of romance (or children), made more interesting or secure on the 4th, 5th, 14th, 23rd, and 28th. Although rough seas are likely on the 9th and 10th and Venus-plagued 25th and 26th. The caveat is Mercury's retrograde in Aquarius on the 21st, stalling pleasurable pursuits or bringing the return of a lost love. An old issue may come up for resolution, or you may decide it's time to stop the party, hold off on commitments, and get serious about life again.

Helping you buckle down to everyday demands and duties are Mars and Venus entering Pisces (12th, 27th), putting the spin in your work routines and co-worker relations; but don't let it put the bite in your temper. Nervous tension is pressed when Saturn squares Mars and Venus (15th, 30th). You might communicate repressed thoughts in hostile ways, possibly to a co-worker or health practitioner. But your ruler under assault will not bring favor to your reputation or resolve the underlying issues, so seeking ways to restructure the problem from within will do you more service and preserve your everyday associations. Set up a healthful diet-and-exercise regimen to stabilize rough emotions and bring mind-body fitness; but Mars in Pisces is not an even-tempered position, and you may start and stop or follow misguided pathways, especially at the 19th's Mars-Neptune conjunction. Stay focused and consistent and the results pay off in inner calm and outer fitness, therapeutically realized by Chiron moves on the 31st.

1ST TH. Whether you're in love or enjoying a lively social scene, enthusiasm runs high. If you're not attending to either, you may be indulging other gushingly romantic or friendly pleasures or opportunities.

2ND FRI. The Gemini Moon always helps you put a curious eye on how bright the future may be, perhaps regarding travel or a friend from afar. Your charm or congeniality could attract support.

3RD SAT. Fate may seem to undermine your foundations via sudden change or control you can't fight; but hold firm to the changes you personally seek. With Venus entering Aquarius, dazzling love distracts.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON sets off recent stress between work and home, triggering emotional reactions. Do what's necessary to maintain balance. There's someone around who you can rely on.

5TH MON. Mercury entered Aquarius yesterday, bringing out your creative muse, inner child, or real-child joys. Pleasures come in unusual packages, but logic and reason help you make a solid decision or plan.

6TH TU. The Leo Moon always prompts you to seek friendly pleasures, but you may have to contend with differences of opinions between a friend and lover or child, or find a way to pay attention to everyone.

7TH WED. An early-morning burst brings some happy, snappy moments with an impulsive companion, but navigating relationships of any kind is harder later; although forgiveness helps you overcome.

8TH TH. There's a harder drive today from others to capture the spotlight or make their stand in the social, romantic, or creative community. By tonight, you may feel like sulking away by yourself.

9TH FRI. The morning may be more rough or unsettling than your harmonious nature likes. Let others go their way if that's what they choose. Solitude tonight can bring you out of the doldrums.

10TH SAT. You've got charm to spare, which can attract an interesting partner; but someone in the child or romance department, or a family member at home, may pressure you too close for comfort.

11TH SUN. Don't let extremes tip the harmony balance between home and friends. The Moon entering your sign does so with stability, making you feel secure this morning and indulgent this evening.

12TH MON. Make sure you're up before dawn to enjoy early affection, maybe breakfast in bed, although it's harder later to maintain this harmony. With Mars entering Pisces, extra work-and-health focus is needed.

13TH TU. Social or romantic attention may come unexpectedly, yet quite joyfully, or from someone new and interesting. A child offers unusual delights. Look for ways to express your need for liberation.

14TH WED. A very creative turn of mind can stimulate you suddenly. Say "yes" to a quick invitation or bounce around new creative ideas. If money is involved, however, watch for disagreements.

15TH TH. You might find that the only way you can express yourself about a work, health, or service matter is through depressed feedback, especially if the news is bad. Money matters can rebound.

16TH FRI. Thinking about long-term projects or a trip on your agenda? Conversations, especially those that are visionary, are bumped down by practical necessity. Don't get angry and let it affect your health.

17TH SAT. Talks today are positive and people helpful and agreeable. A local event could find you shining optimistically in the middle of it. People are joyfully receptive to you. Moods are elevated.

18TH SUN. The emotional barometer moves to the domestic front, bringing up longtime feelings about home and family. By afternoon, you understand what needs to be done and can take effective action.

19TH MON. You'll want to indulge extravagant tastes; or a friend, paramour, or child with luxury-loving desires presses you to splurge in love or money. Following a misguided path in work or health can be draining.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON is in your zone of romance, creativity, recreations, and children, giving future bloom to unusual pleasures. Follow your heart; take care of your health; secure a relationship if you can.

21ST WED. Mercury retrogrades, starting a three-week period of hesitation and re-assessment rather than certainty in self-expression, romance, or with kids; still, a morning talk leads to evening pleasures.

22ND TH. Like the adage says, you've got to have your health first. Avoid strange medicine; set a direction and structure, and follow a smart fitness program.

23RD FRI. If you act responsibly and honor your commitments, you will be taken seriously and find that alliances near and far become supportive ones.

24TH SAT. You've got lots of assertive, enthusiastic energy to disperse. Pursue what you want and you'll feel satisfied with your message and the response.

25TH SUN. This weekend morning is more disruptive than calm, especially if you're dealing with I-wanna-be-me-and-free types. Try for a pleasurable afternoon.

26TH MON. Jealousy, possessiveness, and manipulation are possible in a close tie or family relationship. Are different values at the crux of it?

27TH TU. Your ruler Venus enters Pisces, bringing its loving yet oft-confusing, idealistic, misled ways to work and health affairs. Avoid unyielding disagreements.

28TH WED. Someone's bright idea comes unexpectedly and opens the way to resolution. Put decisions off until evening; even still, expect opposition.

29TH TH. Chances for further accord crop up through early evening, so take advantage. After that, squabbles and cranky indecision overtake cooperation.

30TH FRI. You may have a lot to say about your more-aligned intentions, but poor vitality in your physical self or relationships can lead to a big letdown.

31ST SAT. The Moon emotionalizes in Cancer, bringing your attention to your career, public life, and parents. A friendly family brunch pours warm feelings.

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**EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 3RD HOUSE. IT RULES**

- interchange of ideas and beliefs
- short trips and visits
- personal correspondence
- neighbors and kin

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- experimenting with new methods
- making definite commitments
- learning from past mistakes
- bettering public relations

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- taking on the troubles of others
- imposing on neighbors and kin
- handling finances carelessly
- making unnecessary trips

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

You enter the new year authoritatively, with your ruler, focused Pluto, in command in Capricorn in your communication zone, fortified by a conjunction to the vital Sun while the Sun squares unstable, unsettling Uranus (3rd), giving weight to your ideas and conviction to what you proclaim. But watch that a dominating attitude doesn't make you more of a dictator than a self-controlled leader. What gets said under these intense conditions can cause destabilizing upsets in work, health, everyday routines, or with co-workers, followed by the emotionally triggering Full Moon in overly sensitive Cancer (4th), creating anxious arguments with those who challenge your beliefs or dictates.

If you need refuge from this intensity, the Aquarius host of planets—assertive Mars (till the 12th), genial Venus and Mercury (after the first few days), the life-giving Sun and New Moon (20th)—draw you into the home nest, perhaps where friends frequently visit or there's an attitude of congeniality in family relations or social media that streams into your domestic world. This will make you forget about worldly troubles as you sink into a healing reverie of well-being and safety, secure in a family cocoon, especially stable on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd, which could also provide financial security. If you'd prefer it to be more exciting or stimulating, Uranus sextiles to Venus and Mercury on the 13th, 14th, and 28th provide that, rousing you to physical action as well. But rough con-

nections on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th could cause trouble on the home front, in talks, or in routines, perhaps affecting your health. If you're torn between this home nest and more rousing activities in your public life, you'll feel the sting of attraction alongside someone's jealousy at over-the-top Jupiter oppositions to Mars and Venus on the 1st and 19th.

Soothing your nerves and healing to your soul will be Mars and Venus in the compassionate, compatible water-sign Pisces as of the 12th and 27th, a swirling harmony of romantic love, enchantment with children, an inspiring creative muse, and your desire—and ability—to express yourself poetically in everyday communication. The caveat is Mercury retrograding on the 21st, which can bring hesitancy in moving forward in a love commitment or the return of an old, unresolved paramour.

When Mars conjoins nebulous Neptune on the 19th, boundaries disappear as you fall under the spell of endless love, a good time, too, to work on a compelling creative project, or even enjoy the merging of yourself with an enchanting, imaginative film. You may temporarily lose touch with this inner magic when Saturn in your self-worth zone squares Mars and Venus (15th, 30th), but your esteem floats back to the surface again at the 30th's Mars-Pluto sextile as you fall back in love with your romantic partner and absorb the therapeutic healing of Chiron.

1ST TH. If you're feeling lucky or are in the mood to take a leap of faith, you'll have to discern how much of that is the consequence of well-earned confidence and how much is just foolhardiness.

2ND FRI. Your capacity to rise up out of a crisis stronger and renewed will serve you well today, as the Uranus-Pluto square gets activated again, putting a few more challenges in your path.

3RD SAT. Starting now and continuing for the next three weeks, your home and what it means to you in terms of emotional support and physical comfort become a focus, and in a way that's potentially pleasurable.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON presents you with some challenges and stirs up plenty of tension or fireworks where opposing viewpoints are concerned. It's necessary to build on a tradition yet go beyond it.

5TH MON. Cool reasoning can make you an effective, analytical decision maker concerning home, family, and all things financial. You have the power to improve a situation through the judicious use of words.

6TH TU. There's plenty of talk around midday, a time to learn and exchange information that can further your progress or ambitions at work. Toward nightfall, make sure you're reading emotional signals right.

7TH WED. The implacability of some associates could become apparent, as can your own capacity to dig in your heels and stand your ground. Find a way to keep the door of communication open.

8TH TH. Once again you could be challenged in your dealings with bosses, parents, and others who wield power, some of whom seem to change the rules of the game arbitrarily. React calmly.

9TH FRI. Communication with friends and associates is accented. Be candid and direct, but not critical. Some are likely to take offense, even at remarks that are not meant to be taken personally.

10TH SAT. A friend, or maybe you, may not be available for a previously planned weekend event. Social diversions can hinder your efforts. You may be torn between a desire to be social and the need to stay at home.

11TH SUN. Your instinct to keep a low profile is the right one this morning. You'll find you can get more done and more of what you want if you tune out distractions—which is easier said than done as the day progresses.

12TH MON. Avoid doing anything that can put you in a bad light; keep actions and words aboveboard. You can otherwise unwittingly step into a trap or undermine yourself in some way.

13TH TU. Welcome a chance to make home improvements. It's worth your while to shake up routine there or at work. Someone you suddenly encounter or already know can liven things up.

14TH WED. Look for constructive ways of dealing with obstacles and frustrations, which will be onerous if not numerous today. Let good sense win out. Don't allow impatience to decide your choices.

15TH TH. The Moon is in your sign, as it was yesterday, but now you can feel more in control. Circumstances still call for prudence. Now you'll have to try not to overcompensate or overdo.

16TH FRI. There's risk attached to questions of money, worth, and value. You could find that even a "sure thing" has all sorts of strings attached and could incur unforeseen costs.

17TH SAT. You're on surer ground now concerning money. This could, in fact, turn out to be a good day to go shopping. It may be time to treat yourself and loved ones to something new.

18TH SUN. Indications are mixed, making this an iffy day for travel, excursions, or just getting your point across and feeling understood. Still, it's worth your time to at least make an effort.

19TH MON. You, a partner, or co-workers could be in a fun-loving mood. Indulge in it if you can, but keep your eye on the ball. Some are feeling generous, and that can be to your advantage.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON marks a turning point that has special emphasis in connection with family, home, and property. There's a chance to build, with an accent on security and permanence.

21ST WED. Shelve major home projects for the next three weeks. Mercury is retrograde. Until it's over, be content just to rearrange the furniture. You get a chance to rethink the past or reconnect with family.

22ND TH. Fantasy collides with reality, but don't allow that to cause you to get depressed. Money could be one of the many limitations that stand in your way.

23RD FRI. Indications are mixed concerning your love life, children, creative expression, and what you do for entertainment. Don't be careless or wasteful.

24TH SAT. Though it's the weekend, you'll enjoy puttering around the house. Motivation and rewards are associated with getting things accomplished.

25TH SUN. One of the basic routes to happiness today is being useful—to friends and family. Time spent with them gives you a lift and leaves you optimistic.

26TH MON. At least initially, there is a chance for considerable strain in personal and business partnerships. Try not to let them get too complicated.

27TH TU. Venus trines your sign for the next three weeks, a time for romance and fun. Love comes easily. Relationships improve. You're creatively inspired.

28TH WED. Quick thinking saves the day. A recent idea is worth reconsidering, even if it does seem to be cutting edge, or a bit offbeat.

29TH TH. Overall, you're in a favorable period, especially for financial transactions and deals; discuss arrangements and review papers, but don't sign yet.

30TH FRI. Listen closely to what people, particularly family members, are saying. Focus your attention on financial transactions; the devil is in the details.

31ST SAT. A change of scene would do you good, especially if it involves doing something or going somewhere you once enjoyed and that makes you feel nostalgic.

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.



EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 2ND HOUSE. IT RULES

- financial prowess and ambition
- gifts bestowed or received
- income from a job or career
- buying and selling

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- seeking financial favors and recognition
- improving the service you render others
- making necessary purchases and sales
- facing difficulties courageously

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- conducting financial transactions hastily
- not grasping business opportunities
- forgetting to curb extravagance
- handling valuables carelessly

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

You're the eternal optimist and are always looking to the higher dimensions for positive insight and broadened understanding; but you'll start this new year with a focus on the mundane and material as a commanding influence in your money zone compels you to attention, especially demanding on the 3rd when the Sun conjoins Pluto and is squared by a rattling Uranus from your zone of love, children, creativity, recreation, and pleasure. If you're being pushed to spend, you may have to take a stand of conviction claiming your own economic control against personal intruders, even those you love. The 4th's Cancer Full Moon emotionally triggers fiscal fanatics, but you may have to take this opportunity to flick away those who'd waste your money or overload your credit and start everyone on a reasonable allowance. If things stay bitter on the 6th, watch for overcompensation on the 11th.

But don't think that's all you'll be talking or thinking about. There is an Aquarian cacophony of interesting developments in your zone of communication and local events. Marvelous declarations and fascinating exchanges keep you hooked and happy; you're charmed by—and charming—neighborhood residents and friends as you move deeper into joyous reverie with a heart-centered love, turned to romance in bloom by the 20th's Aquarius New Moon, and particularly exciting and articulately rousing under Jupiter oppositions to Mars

and Venus (1st, 19th) and excitingly liberating Uranus sextiles to lovely Venus and mental Mercury (13th, 14th). If you're looking to anchor your feelings in a commitment, stable Saturn—in your sign and first house, where it often inhibits your impulsive outward expression—sextiles with Venus, Mercury, and the Sun on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd help you do that, and you may announce something important, hear interesting news, or discuss your intentions at the 30th's Mercury-Sun conjunction. The caveat in this joyful communication universe is information-and-ideas Mercury in this sign, retrograding on the 21st. You may feel a sudden need to move in reverse, or you may become more hesitant or less certain in making a commitment, especially if something (or someone) from the past arises with an unresolved issue and a chip on his shoulder or a flirtatious glint in her eye; but the retrograde Mercury-Uranus sextile on the 28th could free you to be open and demonstrative in your affections, a second-time-around charm that could be a razzle-dazzler.

Bringing you into more quiet reverie in a retreative home nest are Mars and Venus in softening Pisces as of the 12th and 27th. If there's a temporary depression of your sense of worth when Saturn squares these two (15th, 30th), the balm of a curative Chiron steps in at the last minute to offer therapy, soothing, and esteem-boosting support come month's end.

1ST TH. There's (over)abundant enthusiasm available to launch a project, debate (humbly), make a marketing bonanza, or take trips and intellectual excursions that expand your world and perspective.

2ND FRI. The curious Gemini Moon offers revitalizing stimulations this morning, but someone might have to hold ideas in check later. You, however, are still a waxing-poetic (or large) raconteur or pitch man.

3RD SAT. Venus enters Aquarius, a friendly local delight; get out and enjoy! Money, however, is pressured under the gun. Have a moral fiscal conviction, but don't be a tough guy or let anyone overturn your bottom line.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON brings emotional urgency to financial affairs. If you want to escape, anchor a local tie with the stability available instead. Mercury entering Aquarius makes you an innovative thinker.

5TH MON. Follow up yesterday's developments with a strategy session to harness a visionary agenda to a practical, attainable ambition. Take measured steps; base your opinions on information and reason.

6TH TU. There may be further effects in a conversation or plan based on new information or questioned beliefs. Be amicable and agreeable to avoid bitter feedback or feelings, or diminished assets at call.

7TH WED. Be the early bird and you'll resonate and revel to spontaneous impulses and easygoing stimulations. It's harder after that to enjoy easy pleasures, but forgiveness and understanding are available.

8TH TH. A lively lunchtime influence revs up the recent communication activity, hopefully not in a polarizing way. While there may be an apology afterward, you still may feel dejected tonight.

9TH FRI. A friend, sibling, or someone from a different culture or country can edge up a storm, creating conversational disruptions to make an independent statement. Evening help can fix what went wrong.

10TH SAT. If there was anger yesterday, it could still be stewing, especially this morning, when it's hard to release toxic feelings. Take action toward reform, however, and you could end up saving the day.

11TH SUN. A false confidence and lack of good judgment influence fiscal events if you're not focusing in hard and realistically. By later morning, balance and moderation may bring things into alignment.

12TH MON. Wake up before dawn to enjoy morning delights, which could disperse suddenly in a few hours. With Mars entering Pisces, your attention is drawn home, and inward, idealistically and misguidedly.

13TH TU. You like your fun to be spontaneous, liberating, frolicking, and edgily stimulating, a desire that may be answered with multi-pleasures or sudden attractions as Venus beckons exciting Uranus.

14TH WED. An on-the-spot invitation, progressive insight, or sudden resolution or innovation gets you geared up for discussions, plans, and trips—until tonight's emotionally difficult moods set in.

15TH TH. Even your natural optimism and positive attitude can have moments of regret, fatigue, frustration, or obstacles. A little private rejuvenation time may be just what the doctor ordered today.

16TH FRI. The Moon in your sign usually makes you the eternal playful optimist, but you may run into a continuation of yesterday's issues made more emotional. Restraints or triggers can get the best of you.

17TH SAT. A lucky-leprechaun streak makes today the opposite of yesterday. With good feelings, interesting people, support, camaraderie, and flirtations, you feel blessed by the riches of heaven and earth.

18TH SUN. You're generally one of the first to jump on the enthusiasm wagon, but don't misjudge excitement for viability. Make sure something works and all the basics and skills are at hand for use.

19TH MON. Something, or someone (a local?), causes a rousing celebration or overindulgence of luxury or extravagance; but watch for misguided feelings, shifting foundations, and uncertain directions.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON is going to start to brighten local connections, information and ideas, and your own communicative style, opening weeks of more socializing in your own happy neighborhood.

21ST WED. Mercury retrogrades, starting a three-week period when mistakes and misunderstandings occur. You'll be more introspective. Don't commit. Do indulge the evening's delightful encounter!

22ND TH. Emotions are home-centered and can bring you down midday. The way out is murky through evening, when misguided action could promote defensiveness.

23RD FRI. You navigate on solid ground motivated by a sense of supported responsibility. Create a strategy. Start early to repair troubled family feelings.

24TH SAT. With the Moon in ribald Aries and your house of pleasure, set yourself up for some fun and recreation with friends and loved ones. Be reliable.

25TH SUN. Adapt to early roustabout moods and you wind up having a festive brunch and gleefully pleasing afternoon. Seek accord, luxury, and beauty.

26TH MON. If someone was feisty yesterday about being independent, that mood could resurface as pouting, jealousy, or a possessive power struggle.

27TH TU. Take care of the basics and adapt to changing minds. Venus entering Pisces imbues heart and hearth with sensitivity, love, idealism, and misdirection.

28TH WED. You've got great insights and perceptions to share. Say yes to a quick opportunity. Others' moods tonight, however, get more grumpy and frumpy.

29TH TH. Take a chance on something, or someone, fresh. Express a new muse. Harmony prevails interestingly through afternoon, but watch squabbles later.

30TH FRI. A gloomy relationship has you insecure or worried. Someone's bright idea, however, rallies support and reformation. Look for the silver lining.

31ST SAT. There's more emotion in the day than you're naturally inclined toward, but give it a chance and you'll start to like the "warm fuzzies."

Use each part of every day best by following the aspects in the Self-Guidance Chart.

**EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 1ST HOUSE. IT RULES**

- success through leadership and drive
- impressions you create on others
- popularity and prestige
- personal property

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- being ready to organize activities
- renewing influential contacts
- doing your tasks completely
- avoiding quarrelsome people

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- receding too much into the background
- being selfish and egotistical
- acting overemotionally
- developing bad habits

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

True to your sign, you enter the year riding on your ambitions. This affords you a great deal of power, influence, and command with which you can manifest your goals. But if you use this energy to overpower or dominate others, you won't garner side-by-side support to help you reach your goal; you will instead gain the reputation of being a schoolyard bully. At the 4th's Full Moon in Cancer and 6th's Sun-Saturn semi-square, your approach will be tested. If you coddle those who want to be in your corner instead of control them, the spell of world domination breaks and you realize, through the curative cooperation of a healing Chiron, that it's important to have helpers and to care for those in your charge—and those you love.

You'll also have your eye on your financial accounts with Mars, Venus, and Mercury in Aquarius, your money zone, boosted later by the Sun and New Moon (20th). Money and career are linked in your ambitious world, so you'll pay attention to this economic activity, especially when Mars and Venus are opposed by extravagant Jupiter on the 1st and 19th and your usual discretionary hold on your wallet is diluted by an urge to break the bank and spend. Fortunately, a stabilizing influence from your conservative ruler, Saturn, helps you move toward more mundane security when he sextiles Venus, Mercury, and the Sun (4th, 5th, 23rd), decorated by an inventive Mercury-Sun conjunction (30th). If there's really something that

has caught your eye—an impulse purchase or fancy tech gadget—allow yourself this indulgence when exciting Uranus sextiles Venus and Mercury (13th, 14th), which are good days to indulge unconventional spending. But when Mercury retrogrades on the 21st, fiscal movement may stall as bills arrive, unresolved matters arise, and you tighten up the free-wheeling style that never really suited you. Don't spend foolishly, sign on dotted lines, extend your credit, or make money promises. Keep an eye on your accounts and paperwork to catch errors or misinformation.

This dubious understanding is also pitched by Mars and Venus in compassionate but confusing Pisces as of the 12th and 27th. You might see the world through rose-colored glasses, but at the 19th's Mars-Neptune conjunction, those easily turn to 3-D. Take the glasses off and express your thoughts in a straightforward way, unless you need to wax poetic as boundaries to thinking fade and you let it all pour out. When stern Saturn squares Mars and Venus (15th, 30th), though, you may regret that you spoke too soon, or too much, and retreat into worry, isolation, psychological embarrassment, or defensive recoil, trying to retrieve from others' minds everything you threw into them. Fortunately, the 30th's Chiron-soothed Mars-Pluto sextile affords you an incisive chance to repair what went wrong, regain self-control, and restore communication command.

1ST TH. Some potentially misleading or deceptive trends that are in effect warn you to scrutinize information you receive. Good news regarding income or a purchase may tempt you to be too extravagant.

2ND FRI. An unprecedented anxiety may center your career goals and other ambitions and perhaps give rise to a desire for change and reform. New developments challenge you to keep up with changes.

3RD SAT. Venus begins a three-week journey through your money sign, perhaps giving you a desire to acquire some nice things in addition to providing the impetus to discover new sources of cash.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON puts your intimate relations, business connections, and family ties on a different footing. Some changes you want; others are imposed upon you. Either way, you'll have to embrace them.

5TH MON. An associate's sound advice, backed by your solid judgment and logic and applied to fiscal decisions and agendas, can be the foundation for a stabilizing financial plan. Seek advice.

6TH TU. Early-day aspects offer opportunities tied to sharing and exchanging or re: earning, spending, and making purchases. Later, when talking to others, keep in mind that a flair for drama colors responses.

7TH WED. Egos generate a lot of resistance, which makes it hard to get the go-ahead or to get things done. That said, you'll be better off for now if you can just rely on yourself and your own resources.

8TH TH. If problems abound, money could be the bone of contention. Especially around midday, aim for patience while the influences impel toward the contrary and can even become incendiary.

9TH FRI. The day could get off to a jarring start, made only worse by impulsive, rash, or speedy acts; slow down and watch what you're doing, but don't overanalyze situations, as that can make things worse, too.

10TH SAT. Your challenge now is to moderate ambitious dreams with more realistic expectations, and you'll feel it especially when spending is involved. Fortunately, you're very resourceful in this regard.

11TH SUN. Others may lean on you or look to you for support. Though you relish playing the leadership role, your tendency to assume responsibility can lead you to feel worn out. Set some limits.

12TH MON. It's a tense day when you could be moaning, "Everything happens to me!" Fortunately, you're at your best in a crisis. If you've been contemplating an important life shift, you'll get another crack at it.

13TH TU. Shopping can turn up a nice surprise. You could give or receive a gift. A taste for something new could compel you to make some unconventional choices pertaining to home décor.

14TH WED. Hard feelings having to do with issues from the past could cause you to act out or to speak out. If nothing else, it's a chance to get it off your chest. Be careful when in transit.

15TH TH. An early Moon-Jupiter contact raises hopes concerning a cherished objective. Though initially you may question your optimism, you'll find you have the resources and discipline to accomplish your goal.

16TH FRI. Mental concepts may verge on the sublime, in which case you may need to fine-tune them; on the other hand, thinking may be skewed by excess fantasy. Make the distinction between these two trends.

17TH SAT. You may welcome a chance to stay on the sidelines. A time-out can provide you with a nice respite. Devote some time to pulling together the loose ends of your life and catching up on things.

18TH SUN. Life can be complicated by emotions. Frustrations encountered have to do with not being able to put a hand on something that you want. Your best bet is to find a sympathetic listener.

19TH MON. If you're going to spend money, don't do it like it's going out of style; it's nice to have fun, but there's trouble if you overdo it. A purchase for someone may be obligatory, though.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON can start a new cycle of economic stability. You can find ways to improve income. Be studious and observant. A review of the past can put you on a better path toward the future.

21ST WED. Mercury's retrograde reiterates yesterday's message about reviewing your financial past in order to plan a more secure future. Over the next three weeks, search out errors and correct them.

22ND TH. Rumor mills may be grinding today. Regardless, what you hear could prove distorted or deceptive. A financial situation improves.

23RD FRI. Talks can relieve any apprehensions concerning questions of money, values, or worth, but later overconfidence can negate any gains.

24TH SAT. Use your protective instincts to better organize home-related interests along conservative lines. Be a faithful caretaker when there is stress at home.

25TH SUN. Tackle home chores. Make purchases that add to your nest's comfort. Give family members and their needs and interests priority.

26TH MON. You could feel justified in holding a grudge or being jealous or possessive. A better tactic emotionally would be not to take a limitation so personally.

27TH TU. The next three weeks are for good opening dialogues. You can hit it off with a neighbor or meet someone in a class, bookstore, or on an errand or trip.

28TH WED. Adverse trends can temporarily block the realization of your heart's desires. Don't make it worse by bungling an already charged emotional situation.

29TH TH. Even if it's just busy work, performing mundane tasks and being productive will ease worry and anxiety. Focus talk on jobs and health.

30TH FRI. Your observations are intense. You're sure of your convictions, but should temper words with diplomacy if you don't want to inspire resistance.

31ST SAT. Activities involving other people look promising. It's easy to get along and enjoy good rapport. Do something homey and cozy together.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 12TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- personal limitations and problems
- charitable acts, institutions
- investigation, self-analysis
- confidential matters

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- remembering that duty comes first
- trying to increase your income
- finding the causes for worries
- getting in with a new crowd

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- allowing self-doubt to discourage you
- becoming involved in shady affairs
- not getting enough sleep and rest
- forsaking faith and idealism

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

Pluto has been in Capricorn in your twelfth house for quite a while, rousing uncomfortable, repressed feelings in your subconscious. You start the year with the Sun conjunct Pluto and square Uranus (3rd). Internal stewing reaches its boiling point. You may not be able to hold it back, or down, like a geyser finally spewing. If you blow up, the explosion can affect your communications and your health, and you'll feel stressed and stretched to the limit at the 4th's Cancer Full Moon. Instead, find a healthful mind-body regimen to work through these tensions.

You'll vibrate better to all the activity in your sign and house of identity, including Mars until the 12th, Venus and Mercury after the first few days, and then the Sun and New Moon (20th). You've also had overdriven Jupiter in your zone of commitment besotting you with the idea of ideal love, indulgently vigorous at the Mars and Venus oppositions (1st, 19th). But these rousing aspects in your personality sector may also prompt you to make an assertive bid to grab back the spotlight and adoring attention, with particularly exciting results at Uranus' sextile to Venus and Mercury (13th, 14th). If you prefer more stability and commitment, look to Saturn's sextiles to Venus, Mercury, and the Sun (4th, 5th, 23rd) to secure them. Trouble may be just around the corner, however, on the 9th, 10th, and 25th and 26th especially, although the New Moon in your sign on the 20th is your personal lunation for the year ahead. Make a list of all

you'd like to manifest and imbue the items on it with great intention. The caveat is Mercury in your sign retrograding the next day. A sense of forward-looking enthusiasm regarding your personal agenda may stall, fall short, require redos, or have you running around but accomplishing little. Unresolved issues, or people, from the past arise for consideration. Handle a hectic schedule with calm and control, but don't commit or make final plans until Mercury goes direct in three weeks. When it makes its retrograde sextile to Mercury on the 28th, however, and then conjoins the Sun on the 30th, you get a second chance to speak your mind, make a deal, revise a plan, or re-consider something you'd previously refused. Think it over and seek head-to-heart alignment in your decision.

Once Mars and Venus enter Pisces (12th, 27th), your financial zone is emotionally activated and linked to your sense of esteem; but if you lose sight of the practical, mundane requirements, especially at the 19th's clouded yet idealistic Mars-Neptune conjunction, you could lose not only your sense of worth, but also your net worth. If you're using your cash to beckon friends closer, or they're pretending sincere friendship to get closer to your bottom line, you'll feel the chill at Saturn's squares to Mars and Venus (15th, 30th). Pull back from an unappreciative crowd and restore your self-esteem under the 30th's reparative Mars-Pluto sextile, balmed by healing Chiron.

1ST TH. You may take a stand for freedom or independence, especially if a lot of doting has been going to a partner recently. Friends and personal companions (and children) need different things.

2ND FRI. The day starts in another rousing, stimulating way, but it could take an effort—physical or mental—to keep things on an even keel as the day moves forward into evening.

3RD SAT. Venus enters your sign, opening a period of popularity and all things personal—and friendly. But inner rage or power struggles explode into out-of-control outbursts, breakups, or breakthroughs.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON falls across your sectors of inner and outer health, reminding you to find constructive regimens for both. Inquiring Mercury enters your sign, busying up your life. Count on a friend.

5TH MON. Someone may turn to you to present an idea or opinion from a reasoned yet sharp perspective. Plan your future. Make a wish list or create a strategy or intention plan. Put detail into it.

6TH TU. All the signals are coming from your relationship zone. What starts as safe terrain could slip into a push for the spotlight. A tug-of-war for attention could feel like a hollow victory tonight.

7TH WED. Rise and shine early to catch the best period, a rush of exciting enthusiasm to flush out I'm-up-for-it playmates. If this sense of fun turns to oversensitivity, forgiveness and kindness always soothe.

8TH TH. If post-midnight joy was sold over the counter, you wouldn't need to have a high-noon battle over who's got rights, or who goes first. If the picky trend continues, watch for acidic friends tonight.

9TH FRI. You're feeling an inner rebellion looking for someplace to explode. Don't take reckless chances. Master control and patience, especially if emotional, fiscal, and sexual sharings slip along indelicately.

10TH SAT. There could be difficult repercussions early from yesterday's shenanigans; but if you set your sails for a practical goal and apply your skills to achieving it, this casual purpose is uniting.

11TH SUN. You may take, and need, the early part of today to yourself, looking for your lost self-confidence. Don't escape for too long, or without purpose. A guided re-direction is a stable anchor.

12TH MON. The Libran Moon adds agreement, charm, and beauty to the early morning, yet fall-from-grace moods rise before noon. Mars enters Pisces, putting out fiscal feelers and putting on blinders.

13TH TU. If you're looking for something new and stimulating, head out into your neighborhood today. You will attract unconventional people with a progressive social bent or electric romantic twist.

14TH WED. The local news or your view of things is decidedly looking up! A surprising offer or spontaneous decision keeps yesterday's buzz going. If feelings deepen, watch for more burn than sizzle.

15TH TH. If there's something difficult going on between you and a friend, this isn't the time to bring money into the picture. It could produce sore losers. Timing is off for most financial moves. Sit tight.

16TH FRI. The Sagittarian Moon moves your curious nature to explore life with companions. Today's moods, however, have grit and grouch. Try to find the good in others and a positive dream to strive for.

17TH SAT. You'll get the frolic and congenial freedoms that weren't available yesterday. Friends and social engagements are delightful, people agreeable and genial, and early trends rich with joy and gratitude.

18TH SUN. You might be feeling overly stressed from recent events and need some time to yourself to process everything. Whatever you decide, make sure it has a positive impact on your sense of esteem.

19TH MON. You'll be feeling the strobes of love and attention swing extravagantly back and forth between you and a glamorous companion. Don't spend money misguidedly to woo a child, friend, or lover.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON in your sign makes it your personal annual lunation. Make a list. Be intentional about what you'd like to see manifest in the coming year. "Be the change you'd like to see..."

21ST WED. Mercury in Aquarius retrogrades for three weeks, making life hectic and communications topsy-turvy. Watch for misunderstandings or mistakes. Double-check. But enjoy an evening encounter or pleasure.

22ND TH. Stay restful until you feel moved to start the day. If handling money, don't compare, loan, or haggle needlessly over spending, values, or assets.

23RD FRI. If you need an ally, you'll be able to count on a friend, a confidence you can take into the day with you. Still, financial discretion may be faulty.

24TH SAT. You're in synch with the lively Aries weekend Moon. Enjoy it with the friend who's been there for you. The afternoon is ripe for supportive pleasures.

25TH SUN. No matter how charming someone is or how much work there is to get done, your streak of independence will set you rebelliously on edge.

26TH MON. There could be negative repercussions from yesterday's need for personal space or alternative pleasures. Look for ways to repair a conflict.

27TH TU. You awaken seeing solutions to a problem. Venus entering Pisces brings emotional, sometimes confusing or idealistic, sensitivities about money.

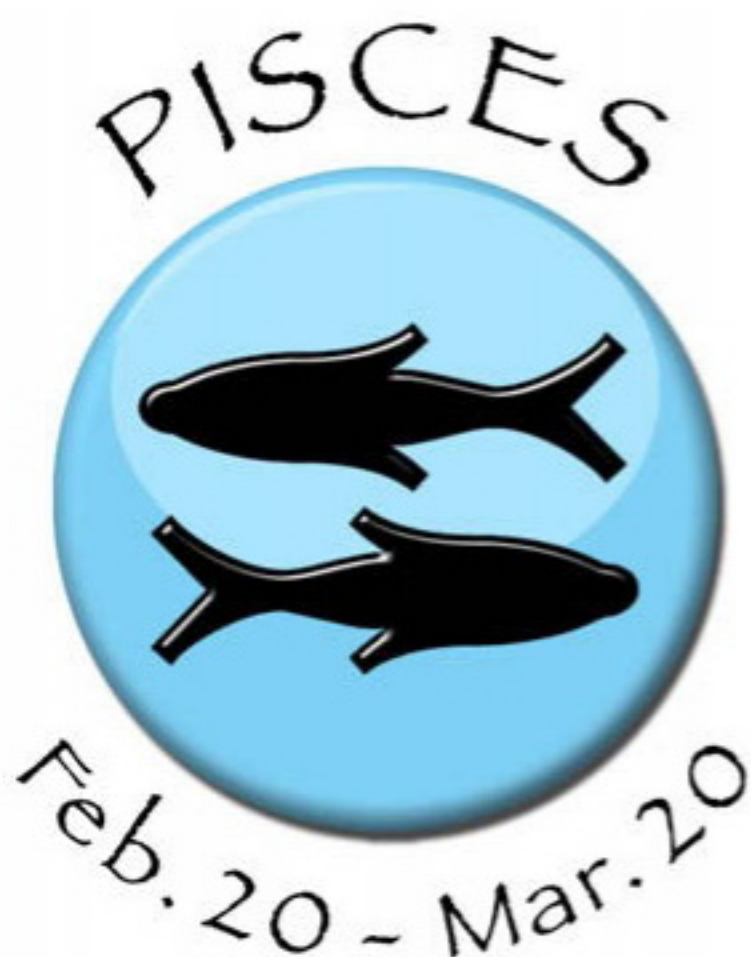
28TH WED. You've got sharp instincts and take quick action on a novel idea. Self-promote. Enjoy local events. Get past obstacles to explore life more.

29TH TH. Communication is lively and informative, but you may have to defend a point of view. If funds are lacking, don't build your self-esteem around it.

30TH FRI. Reconstruct a skewed money matter. Align your head and heart about a personal agenda, goal, or decision; add intention, and then announce it.

31ST SAT. There may be more of an emotional tone to the day than you're comfortable with, yet even you may succumb to the pleasure of little satisfactions.

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EMPHASIS IS IN YOUR 11TH HOUSE. IT RULES

- social contacts and opportunities
- transactions involving friends
- foremost hopes and wishes
- business income

YOU ACHIEVE THE GREATEST SUCCESS BY

- ending associations that waste your time
- improving yourself through education
- curbing outlays and extravagances
- seeing people who can help you

YOU SHOULD AVOID

- getting involved in half-baked schemes
- creating trouble with people you like
- telling the wrong people your goals
- being shy in group affairs

YOUR JANUARY HOROSCOPE AND DAILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

The year starts with three big trends, and the first is Pluto in Capricorn in your house of friendship and social connections. This has been an intense, long-term influence, and it may have caught even sensitive, emotional you in its web of “get more, be more, have more” than others, especially when the Sun conjoins Pluto and squares Uranus (3rd). But friendships aren’t a competition, and you can’t buy anyone’s love; no matter how tempting that is, it’s an illusion. At the 4th’s Cancer Full Moon, you’ll see the startling emotional effects of trying to do that, which can shake you out of your cocoon of competition and reawaken your sweet senses to the essential values in your life—meaningful love and friendships and true, soulful expression. Otherwise, watch for troubles again on the 6th and delusions and extravagance on the 11th.

The second theme takes place in the recesses of your psyche. A host of planets in Aquarius are in your own house of secrets, inner psychology, isolation, escape, and solitude. Outgoing Mars has Mercury and Venus as companions there early on, joined later by the Sun. If you’ve been under internal pressures from subconscious sources that you can’t get a handle on, the tension maximizes at the Mars and Venus oppositions on the 1st and 19th, affecting your physical health. For calm control on a path to inner peace, de-stress under Saturn’s stable sextiles to Venus, Mercury, and the Sun on the 4th, 5th, and 23rd, but watch for nega-

tive movement within that needs moderating on the 9th, 10th, 25th, and 26th. If you need a moment to dance to the tune of a different drummer and enjoy a turn of surprising fun or excitement, revel in Uranus’ sextiles to Venus and Mercury (13th, 14th). The 20th’s New Moon will give you a chance to reset troubling triggers, a reboot to your soul and psyche; and when Mercury retrogrades on the 21st, you may be able to turn off outside stress and strain, like wearing noise-canceling headphones, and tune in to your innermost needs to find a quiet center of peace, harmony, and stillness. It’s a good time, too, to keep a dream journal or seek therapy.

Once Mars and Venus enter your sign and personality sector (12th, 27th), you’ll move from your internal reverie to a more outer-focused life, one turned toward your personal life and needs nonetheless. This can influence your natural tendency to be compassionate, helpful, and understanding, while also giving you the motivation to take action to fulfill your desires and attract others who care about you and want to support you. But if idealism, confusion, or misguidedness runs to extremes at the 19th’s Mars-Neptune conjunction, you could feel backlash or disappointment from your public life under Saturn squares on the 15th and 30th. Fortunately, the 30th’s Mars-Pluto sextile, aided by a therapeutic Chiron in your sign, helps you right a crooked ship and reset your sails toward a more fulfilling destination.

1ST TH. Though you meet with opportunities, there's a risk of squandering them through poorly timed actions. Details will certainly need watching. Be methodical, whether working around the house or on the job.

2ND FRI. An excess of independence, possibly misdirected into aggressiveness or involving a money squabble, can cause a big upset. Allow friends the freedom to follow their own path.

3RD SAT. Venus in your twelfth house for the next three weeks heightens your empathy, but don't take being nice to a self-sacrificing extreme. Silence and solitude are beneficial to you now.

4TH SUN. THE FULL MOON can denote emotional histrionics where affectional ties, friends, children, and material resources are concerned. Changes are on the way, but keep reactions controlled.

5TH MON. Cooler heads prevail, offering you a chance to rationally sort out any impending changes. Engaging in quiet work, research, or talk can help you get ahead, as well as avoid emotional histrionics.

6TH TU. Progress can be made on the job. Accept new techniques readily; work them into your routine. Talk things over with co-workers. Look for ways to make improvements in assignments.

7TH WED. When it comes to taking care of work that needs to be done and other responsibilities, avoid learning the hard way and try to act in the best interest of your own health. Do what's right.

8TH TH. Be careful, especially around midday, about getting involved in other people's quarrels. Focus on the facts; keep heated emotions from coloring the picture. Haste can lead to mishaps.

9TH FRI. Dealings with other people can go off on tangents. You or others seem unduly sensitive, making cooperation difficult. It's also possible that unexpected changes can throw plans out the window.

10TH SAT. Once again, relations with other people are not what you'd prefer them to be. Communication suffers, as some may be picky, making relations chilly; you find it hard to articulate what you feel.

11TH SUN. With today's early emphasis on involvement with other people, existing ties and relationships can be gently improved. As the day progresses, however, be careful not to overextend yourself.

12TH MON. Mars in your sign for a full month to come can feel like a shot of adrenaline. For now, though, there will likely be some challenges, such as rallying needed emotional or material support.

13TH TU. You should have an easier time getting and finding what you want. If shopping is on your to-do list, you should come upon unexpected finds that you can't pass up, and it's pretty exciting.

14TH WED. Challenges are back again. You assert yourself but are met with resistance. Fight for your convictions, but don't sweat the small stuff. Keep your eye on the main goal, and circumvent minor setbacks.

15TH TH. Be skeptical. If someone is trying to convince you to count on good luck, forget it. Review your viewpoint regarding future plans, distant interests, and travel. Check for potential flaws.

16TH FRI. Exercise a good measure of caution if you find yourself tempted to go along with others' schemes. Your reputation could be at stake if you allow dreams to override hard facts.

17TH SAT. This is a good day to be out and about and to be seen. Make requests of parents. You could be accepted now in an area where you can show off your talents or assume a leadership role.

18TH SUN. No one could blame you for wanting to keep a low profile today. At any rate, social prospects are mixed, so you'll be better off limiting the time you spend with others to a select few.

19TH MON. A friend or group offers a promise of fun, but may also impose a sense of obligation or cause you to feel overwhelmed. Imagination motivates you, and compassion moves you.

20TH TU. THE NEW MOON could bring up something from your past. You can work quietly and effectively toward building a foundation for a solid future and further a soon-to-be-launched project.

21ST WED. With Mercury retrograde over the next three weeks, your thoughts turn introspective. As a result, you may reflect on the past more as memories parade by you. Let it happen. See where it leads.

22ND TH. Current influences raise puzzling issues. You could be genuinely inspired, but may also be misreading signals. Keep your feet on the ground.

23RD FRI. Promote charitable endeavors. Lend an ear to someone who wants to talk. Reflect on and review the past. It's nice to rummage through old things.

24TH SAT. With the emphasis on possessions and acquisitions, you may want to take a shopping trip to pass the hours; it satisfies the urge for something new.

25TH SUN. Personal money interests, possessions, and values are again emphasized, along with a chance to acquire some nice things.

26TH MON. Someone may be quietly fuming. Create a safe space so a friend can get something off his chest. It's time to put the past behind you.

27TH TU. Your popularity is on the rise over the next three weeks. Emphasize your best traits; your personal appeal will beckon love and support.

28TH WED. A bright, early inspiration can set you in motion. Finding a way to fulfill its promise will be a real challenge. Sympathy may be lacking.

29TH TH. Push forward with efforts to make improvements involving your living situation. Make up your mind not to take any rebuffs too personally.

30TH FRI. Teamwork can give you the drive and focus needed to turn a mere intention into solid accomplishment. Turn to others for support.

31ST SAT. This should be a good day for relaxation, entertainment, and fun. Spend time on a hobby or other favorite activity.

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CAPRICORN'S YEAR AHEAD

— by PAT STRICKLAND —



YOUR ASTROLOGICAL OVERVIEW

You recently have begun an exciting new chapter of life. On December 23, 2014, Saturn, your ruling planet, entered Sagittarius and your solar twelfth house, which represents your secrets and the most private part of your life. Except for a brief return visit to Scorpio from June 14 to September 17, Saturn will remain in Sagittarius for the next two-and-a-half years. This is an excellent opportunity to get in touch with the spiritual part of your nature. If you experience regrets, frustrations, or disappointments along the way, Saturn will help you to overcome them.



Jupiter is in fiery Leo and your solar eighth house until early August. Jupiter's presence in Leo can bring drama to your financial affairs or intimate life. This is a good time to pay off debts and learn money management. After Jupiter enters Virgo on August 11, you can acquire new skills and knowledge through study, reading, travel, cultural activities, or people from different backgrounds.

Uranus is in Aries, your sector of home

and domestic life. You may want more freedom, and that attitude can upset people who live with you. Uranus can bring surprises, both good and unsettling. This transit may also bring unexpected alienations, moves, mishaps, and domestic changes. Be prepared for emergencies; make sure that the wiring in your home is safe. Do whatever you can to take the edge off any stress you may be feeling.

You need to stay grounded in reality now, as Neptune is in Pisces, your sector of thoughts and communication. You may feel sentimental, spiritual, or idealistic at times, but Neptune can also enhance your imagination and creativity. You may experience confusion or losses, especially if transiting Neptune forms a difficult aspect to a natal planet in your horoscope. Neighbors or close kin may inspire or disappoint you.

Pluto is slowly advancing through Capricorn and guiding you through a long period of self-discovery and transformation that began in 2008 and will last until 2024. You will face challenges and have to make changes, but the experience will make you stronger. Stay calm; go with the flow of life. If some people don't like the amazing new you who is emerging, it is their loss.

Eclipses: An eclipse pinpoints an area of your life that is particularly important at the time of its occurrence and during the six to twelve months that follow. The effect of any eclipse is strongest when it occurs and then wanes until the next eclipse of the same type. Four eclipses occur during your forecast period. The

March 20 Solar Eclipse in Pisces emphasizes your thoughts, attitudes, and communication skills. Neighbors or close kin may have increased importance. The April 4 Lunar Eclipse in Libra emphasizes career, business, and your role in life. For a few months following that eclipse, you may have to juggle your work or professional duties and the obligations you have to your family; aim for balance in both areas. The September 13 Solar Eclipse in Virgo occurs in your solar ninth house of education, distant travel, and new experiences. Following that one, make it a priority to learn new skills and more about the world. The September 27 Lunar Eclipse in Aries emphasizes your home, family, and personal life; you may relocate, redecorate, or experience changes in your family or domestic life during the six months following this eclipse.

——— YOU ARE SPECIAL ———

You are ambitious, strong-willed, reliable, and definite in purpose. Your goal in life is to succeed at anything you do. An invisible aura of dignity and authority surrounds you wherever you go. You almost always end up in a command position. You are loyal to people you trust, but once a person has betrayed you, you will never trust that person again. If you marry, choose a partner you can proudly introduce to your parents, boss, banker, and spiritual advisor. You can do well as your own boss or in a profession that rewards your leadership skills and organizational abilities.

Born December 22 to 31: Your ancient ruler, Jupiter, and your modern ruler, Saturn, are especially important in your chart. The combined influence of these planets gives you the ability to bring order and balance to your life. You can use new ideas and methods to attain your ambitions without abandoning valuable traditions. Set a specific goal and stay focused until you have attained it. Keywords: Ambitious, reliable, searching.

Born January 1 to 10: Your ancient ruler, Mars, and your modern ruler, Venus, are especially important in your chart. Mars gives you energy, while Venus gives you talent and a fondness for luxury. You need a harmonious home life built on a firm foundation of love. This year, bring more joy and stability to your home life. Greed can get you into trouble. Keywords: Assertive, commanding, private.

Born January 11 to 20: Your modern ruler, Mercury, and your ancient ruler, the Sun, are especially important in your chart. You are mentally oriented and responsible by nature. Life is sometimes difficult, but you never give up. You can be a faithful friend and partner, but if you feel unappreciated, you may stray. In 2015, your stamina will be tested by an unexpected development; stay strong! Keywords: Bright, versatile, goal-oriented.

——— PLANETARY CYCLES ———

Timing is important in all matters. You increase your chances of success when you time your moves according to the position of the planets. By acting in accordance with planetary cycles, you can make the most of each day and be successful. The best time to begin any new venture is when all the planets are moving forward, or traveling direct.

Periodically, all the planets, but not the Sun or Moon, appear to stop and change direction in their orbits. During these retrograde periods, projects or relationships may come to a halt, and delays or setbacks can occur. Things tend to move forward once again when the concerned planet resumes direct travel. You can use retrograde periods to review work, rethink issues, prepare for future jobs, or gather strength for the busier days that lie ahead.

Mercury's retrograde periods seem to cause more problems in daily life than do the other retrogrades. In 2015, Mercury is retrograde from January 21 to February 11, May 18 to June 11, and September

17 to October 9. At these times, errors can occur in documents and messages; communication and travel may be disrupted. Be as clear as possible in your speech and writing to minimize the possibility of misunderstandings.

Saturn, your ruling planet, is retrograde from March 14 to August 2. During Saturn's retrograde, stick to methods that have worked well for you in the past. It marks a poor time to break new ground in career or business matters.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FOR CAPRICORN

Your Romance and Relationships: Your best times for love are December 10, 2014, to January 2, 2015, when Venus is in your sign; March 17 to April 10, when Venus visits your pleasure zone; and May 7 to June 4, when Venus visits your partnership zone. You may meet people through relatives or neighbors between January 27 and February 19, while Venus visits Pisces. You may find affection at home between February 20 and March 16, while Venus is in Aries. You may find romance or have affairs between March 17 and April 11, while Venus is in Taurus. You may meet people through your work or a pet between April 11 and May 6, while Venus visits your solar sixth house. Go out on social dates with your mate or favorite companion between May 7 and June 4, while Venus is in Cancer. Intimacy can be sweet or dramatic between June 5 and July 17, or between July 31 and October 7, thanks to Venus in Leo, and especially from July 31 to August 10, when Jupiter accompanies Venus in Leo. You may interact with teachers, lawyers, foreigners, or travelers from July 18 to 30 or from October 8 to November 7, while Venus visits Virgo. You may feel attracted to peers or executives between November 8 and December 3, while Venus is in Libra. A friendship may become very special between December 4 and the end of your

forecast period, thanks to Venus in your solar eleventh house.

Your Money and Work: Your annual financial cycle begins on January 20, when the Sun enters Aquarius, an excellent time to start planning budgets. You may earn money through work done at home from February 20 to April 19, while Mars, Venus, the Sun, and Uranus each spend time passing through Aries. Keep informed about debts, wills, joint accounts, and insurance between August 8 and September 23, while Mars moves through Leo. You can impress managers and superiors by always being fair, well prepared, and gracious, especially between September 23 and October 22 while the Sun is in your solar tenth house.

Your Health and Habits: With Pluto in your sign, you need to take good care of your physical body. Disruptive Uranus is in your home sector, increasing the possibility of injuries, fires, and intruders. Make sure that all smoke detectors and locks are working well and that household repairs are done promptly. Be particularly careful between May 11 and June 23, when Mars in your health zone increases vulnerability. As much as possible, avoid people who have colds or other illnesses that are contagious. Be careful when traveling to and from jobs or medical facilities. A good time to start a diet or a workout program is May 21 to June 20, while the Sun in your health zone supports your efforts.

Your Spiritual Life: With Neptune, the planet of spirituality, in your mental sector until 2025, your ideals—and perhaps fears—may affect your decisions. Confusion or self-doubt can occur. You'll need to ban negative thinking and maintain a positive attitude. From November 22 to December 8, when the Sun, Mercury, and Saturn are together in your contemplative twelfth house, is an excellent time to go on a spiritual retreat in 2015.

MAKE MARS YOUR ACTION GUIDE

Mars represents energy, drive, and courage. As this planet moves through your chart, it prods you to take initiative, attack problems, and turn desires into actions. During your forecast period, Mars travels from Aquarius to Libra, energizing and activating many chart areas along the way. You can create the kind of life you want by working on one area at a time as Mars moves through these signs. To increase your chances for success, time your moves to occur when Mars supports your efforts, as outlined in the paragraphs below.

From the start of your forecast period to January 11: Mars is in Aquarius, your sector of personal resources. You can use this period to pay bills, plan a sensible budget, and use income wisely. Although you may feel like splurging, don't do it, because you may get hit with unexpected expenses.

January 12 to February 18: Now that Mars is in Pisces, your solar third house, you are eager to communicate your ideas. You can learn new things and gather information. You may connect with people, make calls, complete mental or written work, run errands, or take short trips. Just don't be pushy; that warning also applies when you are driving.

February 19 to March 30: While Mars is in Aries, your solar fourth house, your home is a busy place. You may be doing work there, taking care of family or trying to resolve personal problems. Fires, accidents, arguments, and break-ins can possibly occur now, so be careful. Make sure that all smoke alarms are working. Keep outer doors locked.

March 31 to May 10: Mars is in Taurus, your solar fifth house, and your creativity is at a high point. If you earn money through creativity, this can be a produc-

tive time. You can express yourself through the arts, love, hobbies, games, or entertaining. Physical appetites are strong. You may be more willing to take risks now, so be careful! Avoid gambling and risky sex. You may go to parties, find love, have an affair, or be involved with a pregnancy or adoption.

May 11 to June 23: While Mars is in Gemini, your solar sixth house, you may have a heavy workload or tedious obligations. This stress can weaken your immune system, so don't overdo anything, including work, dieting, or exercise. As much as possible, avoid people who have colds, the flu, or other contagious diseases. Get plenty of rest. Be careful when traveling to and from jobs and medical facilities.

June 24 to August 7: Mars is in Cancer, your solar seventh house, so relationships could require sensitive handling. Friends, loved ones, or associates may be difficult or have needs that clash with yours. Problems can arise if transiting Mars is in harsh aspect with any of your natal planets. Avoid people who tend to be argumentative or abusive.

August 8 to September 23: Mars is in Leo, your solar eighth house. This transit can intensify sexual desires or any problems with intimacy or finances. This is a bad time to take on new debts. Keep informed about your partner's finances, all debts, joint accounts, insurance, and investments. Lovers or lenders may be stubborn, jealous, or manipulative. Focus on paying off debts and strengthening security.

September 24 to November 11: Mars is in Virgo, your solar ninth house. You can learn new skills and expand your horizons. You can find fresh perspectives through reading, travel, religion, cultural activities, or discussions with wise people. Relationships with in-laws, lawyers, foreigners,

and educators require sensitivity. You may be called for jury duty. Other legal matters may have your attention.

November 12 to the end of your forecast period: Mars in Libra, your tenth house, ignites your ambition. You want to achieve and show what you can do. You can make headway in your work, business, or specialty by successfully completing jobs that showcase unique abilities. Dealing with authority can be difficult, so be respectful toward bosses, judges, parents, and all who have power over you.

—YOUR MONTHLY FORECAST—

As you have undoubtedly observed, there are times when everything seems to go smoothly for you and other times when the going is rough. These trends are linked to the planets' movements through the signs and the houses of your solar horoscope. Moody Days occur when the Moon is in your sign; you may be emotionally vulnerable then. Your actions and decisions may be based on feelings instead of logic or reason. Here are some trends and dates you can use to your advantage.

January: On the 1st, the Sun, Mercury, Venus, and Pluto are all in Capricorn and helping you to make a good impression. After Venus (on the 3rd) and Mercury (on the 4th) join Mars in Aquarius on the 5th, you may be able to find new sources of income or emotional support. The Full Moon in Cancer on the 4th may shed light on a relationship issue that needs attention. After Mars enters Pisces on the 12th, you are eager to make your point in discussions; don't be pushy, though, a warning that applies equally to driving. The New Moon in Aquarius on the 20th, and the Sun in that same sign from January 21 to February 17, may bring bargains, financial opportunities, or bills. Mercury is retrograde from January 21 to February 10, so examine documents for errors then.

Moody Days: 18th, 19th, 20th. Keyword for the month: Goals.

February: During the first three weeks of the month, while the Sun and Mercury are both in Aquarius, you can work on taxes and budgets. With Venus and Mars in Pisces through the 18th, your instincts, intuitions and imagination are working overtime; love or romance may be emphasized. Communication and concentration become easier once Mercury turns direct on the 11th. You may connect with people, do written work, or receive news around the 18th, under the New Moon. Your domestic life is in the spotlight starting on the 20th, once Venus and Mars are together in Aries; if you go shopping during the next few weeks, don't give in to the temptation to max out your credit card by buying things for your home or family, though this is a good time for family meetings, meals, and projects. *Moody days: 14th, 15th, 16th. Keyword for the month: Innovation.*

March: This month begins pleasantly with a Jupiter-Uranus trine on the 3rd; be open to nice surprises! You can learn new things, gather facts, and be effective in conversations during the first three weeks of the month, while the Sun and Neptune move through Pisces, and between the 12th and 19th, while the Sun and Mercury visit that sign. Venus in Aries until the 16th helps you at home. After Saturn turns retrograde on the 14th, your patience may be tested; you may have to revisit a confidential matter you thought was behind you. The Pisces Solar Eclipse on the 20th may plant a seed of change or doubt in your mind. While the Sun is in Aries, March 20 to April 19, you can really enjoy your home. The Moon is in Leo on the 29th and 30th, an excellent time to pamper your partner or treat yourself to a bit of luxury. *Moody Days: 14th, 15th, 16th. Keyword for the month: Learning.*

April: Now that the Sun, Mercury, and Uranus are in Aries, you can express your

originality at home; let your surroundings reflect your personality and special interests. Mars in Taurus all month can awaken your appetites and make you reckless. Be sensible! The Lunar Eclipse in Libra on the 4th ushers in a time of change; pursue a life path that will make you happy. The Aries New Moon on the 18th may bring visitors or an addition to your home or family. You may feel slightly vulnerable after Pluto turns retrograde on the 16th, so try to keep things in perspective. Things may slow down a bit at work while first Mars and then Mercury and the Sun move through Taurus, from the start of the month until May 20; be patient. *Moody Days: 10th, 11th, 12th. Keyword for the month: Initiative.*

May: Focus on your work and duties early this month, while the Sun and Mars move through Taurus. Don't become upset if an awkward Uranus-Pluto alignment causes stress. A friend or business associate may want your attention around the 3rd, under the Scorpio Full Moon. Schedule some social dates with your partner to occur after the 7th, while Venus in Cancer eases your way in relationships. After Mars enters Gemini on the 11th, you have to cope with tedious obligations; co-workers may be difficult. You may find love or a new interest near the 17th, under the Taurus New Moon. During the Sun's visit to Gemini, May 21 to June 20, you can shine at jobs, but you don't have to try to be a star. *Moody Days: 7th, 8th, 9th. Keyword for the month: Duties.*

June: The Sagittarius Full Moon on the 2nd brightens your mood and encourages optimism. You can enjoy intimate activities and perhaps improve your finances from the 5th of this month until July 17, while Venus visits Leo. Communication becomes easier after Mercury turns direct on the 11th. You could receive a new work assignment or find a new pet around the 16th, under the Gemini New Moon. When retrograde motion returns Saturn to Scor-

pio on the 14th, it might be a good idea to review your priorities in order to evaluate if any changes are needed. Relationships require sensitive handling after Mars enters Cancer on the 24th; be tactful if any conflicts arise. *Moody Days: 4th, 5th. Keyword for the month: Relationships.*

July: This month has two Full Moons. The first, a Full Moon in Capricorn on the 1st, shines a bright light on your personality and appearance. With the Sun and Mars visiting Cancer for the first three weeks of the month, give extra time and attention to your loved ones, friends, and alliances. The New Moon in Cancer on the 15th and Mercury in that sign from the 8th to the 22nd help you discuss relationship issues. You can enjoy a change of scene between the 18th and 30th, while Venus visits Virgo. Venus is retrograde from the 25th of this month until September 5, a poor time for a wedding or honeymoon. The month's second Full Moon, which occurs in Aquarius on the 31st, calls attention to your spending habits. *Moody Days: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 28th, 29th, 30th. Keyword for the month: Timing.*

August: On the 1st, the Sun, Mercury, Venus, Jupiter, and Uranus are all in fire signs, adding some excitement to your life. With Venus in Leo all month, Mars there starting on the 8th, and the New Moon there on the 14th, your financial affairs or intimate life may become lively and interesting; this is an excellent time to learn money management. This month's main event, however, is the arrival of Jupiter in Virgo on the 11th. Its presence in that sign can have a broadening effect on your life through opportunities to learn, study, travel, enjoy cultural pursuits and different cultures—in short, to broaden your horizons. Mercury paired with Jupiter in Virgo between the 11th and 26th invites you to further expand these horizons and gain fresh perspectives. The Pisces Full Moon on the 29th may call attention to an important difference of opin-

ions. *Moody Days: 25th, 26th. Keyword for the month: Loyalty.*

September: This month's two eclipses remind you that doing the right thing and meeting deadlines can help you in your work or public life. The Solar Eclipse in Virgo on the 13th can help you to clarify your beliefs and ambitions and make them clear to your associates. After Saturn returns to Sagittarius on the 17th, you may be busy behind the scenes. Avoid distant travel between the 17th of this month and October 9, while Mercury is retrograde. During the six months following the Lunar Eclipse in Aries on the 27th, you may experience changes in your feelings about your home, visitors, or family members. You may also relocate or redecorate during this time. *Moody Days: 21st, 22nd, 23rd. Keyword for the month: Diplomacy.*

October: With Mars and Jupiter in Virgo all month and beyond, and with Venus there from the 8th onward, you can make practical decisions about education, travel, and the future. Between the 8th and 22nd, you can learn useful skills and lay the groundwork for success if you stay focused and on track. Communication becomes easier after Mercury turns direct on the 9th. Plan to spend time with friends and mentors after the Sun enters Scorpio on the 23rd; over the next four weeks, people in your profession or social circle may be willing to help you in the pursuit of your goals. *Moody Days: 18th, 19th, 20th. Keyword for the month: Efficiency.*

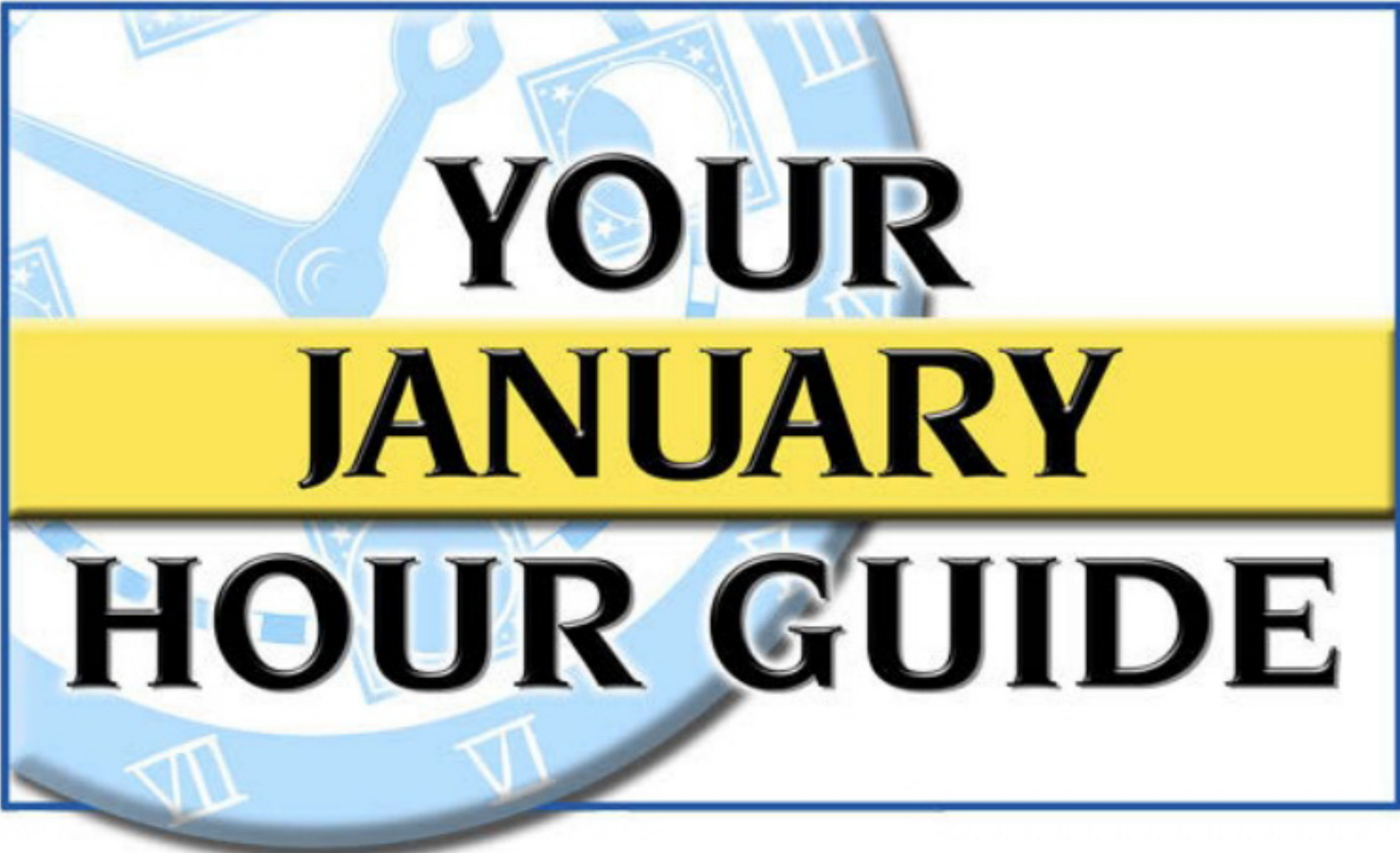
November: Venus in your solar ninth house for the first week of this month in-

vites you to take a break; even one day or weekend at a spa can refresh your body, mind, and spirit. Then the arrival of Venus in your solar tenth house on the 8th, followed by Mars there on the 12th, enhances your business relationships and personal appeal. On the 13th and 23rd, Venus and Mars form helpful sextiles to Saturn, your ruling planet, which is an expert in business matters. This month you can make headway with your goals, professional and otherwise, by successfully completing jobs that spotlight your special abilities. By the end of the month, three planets in Sagittarius are brightening your solar twelfth house. *Moody Days: 15th, 16th. Keyword for the month: Accomplishment.*

December: Your career or role in life is in the spotlight all month, thanks to Mars in Libra. Once Venus enters Scorpio on the 4th, you can stand out more on the social scene and really shine. The New Moon in expansive Sagittarius on the 11th sets an upbeat tone for the holiday season. Your energy and enthusiasm should increase as your birthday gets closer. When the Sun finally enters Capricorn on the 21st, you can move forward with any new plans or projects. Don't expect everything to be perfect around the 25th, though. A Full Moon in Cancer on that date can make people sensitive or emotional. In closing, you have the heart and spirit of a born achiever. If you choose jobs and activities that showcase your strengths and abilities and then stay focused on your goals, you can build a wonderful life. *Moody Days: 12th, 13th, 14th. Keyword for the month: Self-renewal.*



Solar and Lunar Eclipses occur about two weeks apart in pairs and an occasional lunar-solar-lunar trio. Twice a year, they inflame, enrage, and stir people up, especially in cities and places where the eclipse can actually be seen. You're in for major life changes and a bumpy ride when any eclipse falls on your natal Sun, Moon, or Ascendant! Try to get your affairs up to date no later than two weeks before the first eclipse, and don't sign anything legally binding until three full days after the last eclipse.



YOUR JANUARY HOUR GUIDE

A planetary hour feature meets with immediate success because of the ease and simplicity with which results are obtained. When combined with the daily aspects listed in the Self-Guidance Chart, the advantages of this guide are enhanced. Find the nearest latitude on any map or in an atlas for your locality and the planetary rulership of your activity; then proceed as follows to use the accompanying tables.



Question: As a college student facing the prospect of having to choose a major, I am feeling overwhelmed by the gravity of such a decision. Fortunately, someone who is successful in what may likely be my chosen field has agreed to meet with me and answer my questions. Can you recommend a date and time to approach this individual? I live at latitude 43°

Answer: On Monday, the 5th, there is a sextile between Mercury, the planet of learning, and Saturn in Sagittarius, the sign of higher education. This aspect should help you to pose meaningful questions and get focused, practical answers that you'll find useful. A particularly good hour for that day and your location would be a Jupiter hour (higher education): 2:20 P.M. to 3:05 P.M. Get the ball rolling then.

THE SUN—ruler of Leo. Reigns over business and social advancement, employment, promotion, favors, public announcements, authority figures. The Sun governs the upper back and heart, right eye in males, left eye in females. Its metal is gold; its colors, orange and golden shades; its flowers, yellow poppy and marigold; its day, Sunday. Favorable: 2nd, 3rd, 18th, 23rd, 25th, 26th, and 30th. Unfavorable: 3rd, 6th, and 11th.

JANUARY 1st to 7th, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♄ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.50	6.54	6.58	7.03	7.08	7.14	7.19	7.25	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.32	7.38	7.46	7.55	8.04	8.14	8.26
7.42	7.46	7.49	7.53	7.57	8.02	8.06	8.11	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.17	8.22	8.29	8.26	8.44	8.52	9.02
8.35	8.37	8.40	8.43	8.47	8.51	8.54	8.58	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.03	9.07	9.12	9.18	9.24	9.31	9.39
9.27	9.29	9.31	9.33	9.36	9.39	9.41	9.44	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	9.48	9.51	9.55	9.59	10.04	10.09	10.15
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12.56	12.55	12.54	12.54	12.53	12.52	12.52	12.50	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	12.49	12.48	12.46	12.45	12.43	12.42	12.40
1.48	1.47	1.45	1.44	1.42	1.41	1.40	1.37	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	1.34	1.32	1.29	1.26	1.23	1.20	1.17
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3.33	3.30	3.27	3.24	3.21	3.17	3.14	3.10	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	3.05	3.01	2.55	2.50	2.43	2.37	2.29
4.24	4.22	4.18	4.14	4.09	4.06	4.02	3.56	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	3.50	3.45	3.38	3.32	3.23	3.15	3.06
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.17	5.13	5.09	5.04	4.59	4.54	4.48	4.42	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	4.35	4.29	4.21	4.12	4.03	3.53	3.42
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7.33	7.30	7.27	7.24	7.21	7.17	7.13	7.09	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.05	7.01	6.55	6.49	6.43	6.37	6.29
8.40	8.38	8.36	8.34	8.31	8.29	8.26	8.23	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.19	8.16	8.12	8.08	8.03	7.58	7.53
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3.27	3.29	3.31	3.33	3.36	3.39	3.41	3.44	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	3.48	3.50	3.56	4.00	4.04	4.09	4.15
4.35	4.37	4.40	4.43	4.47	4.51	4.55	4.58	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	5.03	5.06	5.13	5.19	5.24	5.31	5.39
5.42	5.46	5.49	5.53	5.57	6.02	6.07	6.11	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	6.17	6.22	6.29	6.37	6.44	6.52	7.02

JULY 1st to 7th, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

THE MOON—ruler of Cancer. Reigns over domestic affairs, short journeys, boating, swimming, temporary plans. The Moon governs the breasts, stomach, female functions, brain matter, left eye in males, right eye in females. Its metal is silver; its colors, pearl and opalescent tints; its flowers, lily and white rose; its day, Monday. There are many Moon aspects during the month; check the Self-Guidance Chart for those that are favorable and those that are unfavorable. When favorable, you can influence others; when unfavorable, you tend to be negative, unstable, tactless, and changeable.

JANUARY 8th to 15th, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♄ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.51	6.55	6.59	7.04	7.09	7.14	7.19	7.25	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.32	7.38	7.46	7.53	8.03	8.12	8.23
7.44	7.47	7.50	7.55	7.59	8.02	8.07	8.12	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.18	8.23	8.30	8.35	8.44	8.51	9.00
8.36	8.39	8.42	8.45	8.48	8.52	8.55	8.59	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.04	9.08	9.13	9.18	9.24	9.30	9.38
9.29	9.31	9.33	9.36	9.38	9.41	9.43	9.46	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	9.50	9.53	9.57	10.00	10.05	10.10	10.15
10.22	10.23	10.24	10.26	10.28	10.29	10.31	10.33	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	10.35	10.37	10.40	10.42	10.46	10.49	10.52
11.14	11.15	11.16	11.17	11.17	11.18	11.19	11.20	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	11.21	11.22	11.24	11.24	11.26	11.28	11.30
12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07
1.00	12.59	12.58	12.58	12.57	12.56	12.55	12.54	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	12.53	12.52	12.51	12.49	12.48	12.46	12.44
1.52	1.51	1.50	1.48	1.46	1.45	1.43	1.41	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	1.39	1.37	1.34	1.31	1.28	1.25	1.22
2.45	2.43	2.41	2.39	2.36	2.34	2.31	2.28	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	2.25	2.22	2.18	2.13	2.09	2.05	1.59
3.38	3.35	3.32	3.29	3.26	3.22	3.19	3.15	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	3.10	3.06	3.01	2.56	2.50	2.44	2.36
4.30	4.27	4.24	4.20	4.15	4.11	4.07	4.02	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	3.56	3.51	3.34	3.38	3.30	3.23	3.14
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.23	5.19	5.15	5.10	5.05	5.00	4.55	4.49	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	4.42	4.36	4.28	4.20	4.11	4.02	3.51
6.30	6.27	6.24	6.20	6.15	6.11	6.07	6.02	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	5.56	5.51	5.44	5.38	5.30	5.23	5.14
7.38	7.35	7.32	7.29	7.26	7.22	7.19	7.15	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.10	7.06	7.01	6.56	6.50	6.44	6.36
8.45	8.43	8.41	8.39	8.36	8.34	8.31	8.28	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.24	8.21	8.17	8.13	8.09	8.04	7.59
9.52	9.51	9.50	9.48	9.46	9.45	9.43	9.41	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.38	9.36	9.34	9.31	9.28	9.25	9.21
11.00	10.59	10.58	10.58	10.57	10.56	10.55	10.54	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	10.52	10.51	10.50	10.49	10.47	10.46	10.44
12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.07
1.14	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.17	1.18	1.19	1.20	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	1.21	1.22	1.23	1.24	1.26	1.27	1.29
2.22	2.23	2.24	2.26	2.29	2.29	2.31	2.33	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	2.35	2.37	2.39	2.42	2.45	2.48	2.52
3.29	3.31	3.33	3.36	3.38	3.41	3.43	3.46	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	3.49	3.52	3.56	4.00	4.04	4.09	4.14
4.36	4.39	4.42	4.45	4.48	4.52	4.55	4.59	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	5.03	5.07	5.12	5.18	5.24	5.30	5.37
5.44	5.47	5.50	5.55	5.59	6.03	6.07	6.12	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	6.17	6.22	6.29	6.35	6.43	6.50	6.59

JULY 8th to 15th, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

JANUARY 16th to 23rd, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♄ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.51	6.55	6.59	7.04	7.08	7.12	7.17	7.23	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.29	7.35	7.42	7.49	7.57	8.06	8.16
7.44	7.48	7.51	7.55	7.58	8.02	8.06	8.11	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.16	8.21	8.27	8.33	8.39	8.47	8.55
8.37	8.40	8.43	8.46	8.49	8.51	8.55	8.59	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.03	9.07	9.11	9.16	9.21	9.27	9.34
9.31	9.33	9.35	9.37	9.39	9.41	9.43	9.47	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	9.50	9.53	9.56	10.00	10.04	10.08	10.13
10.24	10.25	10.26	10.28	10.29	10.30	10.32	10.34	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	10.36	10.38	10.41	10.43	10.46	10.49	10.52
11.17	11.18	11.18	11.19	11.20	11.20	11.21	11.22	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	11.23	11.24	11.25	11.27	11.28	11.29	11.31
12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10
1.03	1.03	1.02	1.01	1.00	12.59	12.58	12.58	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	12.57	12.56	12.55	12.54	12.52	12.51	12.49
1.56	1.55	1.54	1.52	1.51	1.49	1.47	1.46	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	1.44	1.42	1.39	1.37	1.34	1.31	1.28
2.50	2.48	2.46	2.43	2.41	2.38	2.36	2.34	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	2.31	2.28	2.24	2.21	2.17	2.12	2.07
3.43	3.40	3.37	3.34	3.31	3.28	3.25	3.21	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	3.17	3.13	3.09	3.04	2.59	2.53	2.46
4.36	4.33	4.29	4.25	4.22	4.17	4.13	4.09	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	4.04	3.59	3.53	3.48	3.41	3.33	3.25
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.29	5.25	5.21	5.16	5.12	5.07	5.02	4.57	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	4.51	4.45	4.38	4.31	4.23	4.14	4.04
6.36	6.33	6.29	6.25	6.22	6.17	6.13	6.09	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	6.04	5.59	5.53	5.47	5.41	5.33	5.25
7.43	7.40	7.37	7.34	7.31	7.28	7.25	7.21	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.17	7.13	7.09	7.04	6.59	6.53	6.25
8.50	8.48	8.46	8.43	8.41	8.38	8.36	8.34	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.30	8.27	8.24	8.20	8.16	8.12	8.07
9.56	9.56	9.54	9.52	9.51	9.49	9.47	9.46	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.43	9.41	9.39	9.37	9.34	9.31	9.28
11.03	11.03	11.02	11.01	11.00	10.59	10.59	10.58	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	10.56	10.55	10.54	10.53	10.52	10.50	10.49
12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10
1.17	1.18	1.18	1.19	1.20	1.20	1.21	1.22	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	1.23	1.24	1.25	1.26	1.27	1.29	1.30
2.24	2.25	2.26	2.28	2.29	2.30	2.32	2.34	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	2.36	2.38	2.40	2.42	2.45	2.48	2.51
3.31	3.33	3.35	3.37	3.39	3.41	3.43	3.47	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	3.49	3.52	3.55	3.59	4.03	4.07	4.12
4.37	4.40	4.43	4.46	4.49	4.51	4.55	4.49	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	5.02	5.06	5.11	5.15	5.21	5.27	5.33
5.44	5.48	5.51	5.55	5.58	6.02	6.06	6.11	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	6.15	6.20	6.26	6.32	6.38	6.46	6.54

JULY 16th to 23rd, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

MERCURY—ruler of Gemini and Virgo. Reigns over correspondence, educational and literary matters, neighbors, kin, merchants, business people, publishers, editors, reporters, distributors, advertisements, contracts, messengers. Mercury governs the solar plexus, lungs, arms, hands, tongue, nervous system, sense of sight. Its metal is quicksilver; its colors, blue and gray; its flower, lily of the valley; its day, Wednesday. Favorable: 2nd, 5th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 15th, 25th, 27th, 28th, and 30th. Unfavorable: 18th.

JANUARY 24th to 31st, ANY YEAR, in North Latitude
 ♄ Saturn; ♃ Jupiter; ♂ Mars; ☉ Sun; ♀ Venus; ☿ Mercury; ☾ Moon.
Day Hours; Sunrise to Sunset. Mean Time.

Lat. 27°	Lat. 29°	Lat. 31°	Lat. 33°	Lat. 35°	Lat. 37°	Lat. 39°	Lat. 41°	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Lat. 43°	Lat. 45°	Lat. 47°	Lat. 49°	Lat. 51°	Lat. 53°	Lat. 55°
6.50	6.53	6.57	7.01	7.05	7.09	7.14	7.19	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.24	7.29	7.35	7.42	7.49	7.57	8.06
7.44	7.46	7.50	7.53	7.56	8.00	8.04	8.08	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.12	8.16	8.21	8.27	8.33	8.40	8.47
8.38	8.40	8.42	8.45	8.48	8.50	8.54	8.57	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.00	9.04	9.08	9.12	9.17	9.22	9.28
9.31	9.33	9.35	9.37	9.39	9.41	9.44	9.46	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	9.49	9.51	9.54	9.57	10.01	10.03	10.09
10.25	10.26	10.27	10.29	10.30	10.31	10.33	10.35	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	10.37	10.38	10.40	10.42	10.45	10.47	10.50
11.19	11.19	11.20	11.21	11.21	11.22	11.23	11.24	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	11.25	11.25	11.26	11.27	11.28	11.30	11.31
12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13
1.06	1.06	1.05	1.04	1.04	1.03	1.03	1.02	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	1.01	1.00	12.59	12.58	12.56	12.55	12.54
2.00	1.59	1.58	1.56	1.55	1.54	1.53	1.51	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	1.49	1.47	1.45	1.43	1.40	1.38	1.35
2.54	2.52	2.50	2.48	2.46	2.44	2.43	2.40	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	2.38	2.34	2.31	2.28	2.24	2.20	2.16
3.48	3.46	3.43	3.40	3.38	3.35	3.32	3.29	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	3.26	3.22	3.18	3.13	3.08	3.03	2.57
4.41	4.39	4.35	4.32	4.29	4.25	4.22	4.18	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	4.14	4.09	4.04	3.58	3.52	3.45	3.38
Night Hours; Sunset to Sunrise.																					
5.35	5.32	5.28	5.24	5.20	5.16	5.12	5.07	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	5.02	4.56	4.50	4.43	4.36	4.28	4.19
6.41	6.39	6.35	6.32	6.29	6.25	6.22	6.18	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	6.14	6.09	6.04	5.58	5.52	5.45	5.38
7.48	7.46	7.43	7.40	7.38	7.35	7.32	7.29	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	7.26	7.22	7.18	7.13	7.08	7.03	6.57
8.54	8.52	8.50	8.48	8.46	8.44	8.42	8.40	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	8.37	8.34	8.31	8.28	8.24	8.20	8.16
10.00	9.59	9.58	9.56	9.55	9.54	9.52	9.51	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	9.49	9.47	9.45	9.43	9.40	9.37	9.35
11.06	11.06	11.05	11.04	11.04	11.03	11.02	11.02	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	11.01	11.00	10.59	10.58	10.56	10.54	10.54
12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13	12.13
1.19	1.19	1.20	1.21	1.21	1.22	1.23	1.23	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	1.24	1.25	1.26	1.27	1.29	1.30	1.31
2.25	2.26	2.27	2.29	2.30	2.31	2.33	2.34	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	2.36	2.38	2.40	2.42	2.45	2.47	2.50
3.31	3.33	3.35	3.37	3.39	3.41	3.43	3.45	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	♀	♄	3.48	3.51	3.54	3.57	4.01	4.04	4.09
4.38	4.40	4.42	4.45	4.48	4.50	4.53	4.56	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	☿	♃	5.00	5.04	5.08	5.12	5.17	5.22	5.28
5.44	5.46	5.50	5.53	5.56	6.00	6.03	6.07	☿	♃	♀	♄	☉	☾	♂	6.11	6.16	6.21	6.27	6.33	6.39	6.47

JULY 24th to 31st, ANY YEAR, in South Latitude.

VENUS—ruler of Taurus and Libra. Reigns over art, music, drama, social matters, courtship, marriage, restaurant managers, beauticians, cosmeticians, dressmakers, milliners, tailors, decorators, new clothing and ornaments, florists. Venus governs the throat, kidneys, lower part of the back, skin, sense of touch. Its metal is copper; its colors, bright blue and pastels; its flowers, violet and daffodil; its day, Friday. Favorable: 4th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 14th, and 25th. Unfavorable: 19th, 20th, 25th, 26th, and 30th.

MARS—ruler of Aries and co-ruler of Scorpio. Reigns over physical exertion, affairs demanding audacity and courage, structural iron or steel workers, carpenters, lumber men, machinists, pharmacists, barbers, police, soldiers, hardware merchants. Mars governs the external sex organs, bladder, muscular system, head, face, sense of taste. Its metals are iron and steel; its colors, dark red and magenta; its flower, narcissus; its day, Tuesday. Favorable: 19th, 20th, 28th, 29th, and 30th. Unfavorable: 1st, 2nd, 9th, 10th, and 15th.

JUPITER—ruler of Sagittarius and co-ruler of Pisces. Reigns over judges, lawyers, bankers, brokers, physicians, clergymen, politicians, sports people, higher education, the start of new undertakings, buying, lending, favors. Jupiter governs the blood, arteries, liver, thighs, right ear, sense of smell. Its metal is tin; its colors, royal purple and mixtures of red and indigo; its flower, chrysanthemum; its day, Thursday. Favorable: None. Unfavorable: 1st, 2nd, 11th, 18th, 19th, and 20th.

SATURN—ruler of Capricorn and co-ruler of Aquarius. Reigns over undertakings that require patience and endurance, plumbers, shoemakers, hide and leather merchants, masons, landscape gardeners, farmers, agriculturists, realtors, studies of a profound nature. Saturn governs the teeth, bones, spleen, knees, left ear, sense of hearing. Its metal is lead; its colors, dark brown and sage green; its flower, carnation; its day, Saturday. Favorable: 4th, 5th, 12th, 13th, 23rd, and 25th. Unfavorable: 6th, 15th, and 30th.

URANUS—ruler of Aquarius—higher octave of Mercury (refer to Mercury hours). Reigns over occult sciences, metaphysics, inventions, reforms, new methods, aviation, electricity, telepathy, revolutionary ideas. Uranus governs the ankles and calves. Its metal is uranium; its colors, electric tones and mingled shades; its flower, violet. Favorable: 13th, 14th, 28th, and 29th. Unfavorable: 3rd, 9th, and 25th.

NEPTUNE—ruler of Pisces—higher octave of Venus (refer to Venus hours). Reigns over liquids, chemicals, oil, paint, perfume, narcotics, anesthetics, fishing, shipping, brewing, psychic phenomena. Neptune governs the feet. Its metal is platinum; its colors, intensified turquoise and lavender; its flower, water lily. Favorable: 7th, 8th, 19th, 20th, and 26th. Unfavorable: 11th.

PLUTO—Ruler of Scorpio—higher octave of Mars (refer to Mars hours). Reigns over insurance, taxes, wills, the masses, the underworld, poisonous fumes, rejuvenation, regeneration, transformation, astral-projection. Pluto governs the reproductive organs and gall bladder. Its metal is plutonium; its color, black; its flower, anemone. Favorable: 3rd, 6th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 27th, and 30th. Unfavorable: 10th and 26th.

Note regarding dates: You will find some days listed as both favorable and unfavorable. This is because mixed major aspects prevail then. Check the Self-Guidance Chart for periods when favorable ones are in effect and when unfavorable ones dominate.

Note regarding planetary hour tables: The day begins at sunrise with the planet ruling the day; for example, the Sun for Sunday, the Moon for Monday, Mars for Tuesday, etc. A planetary hour begins at the time stated and is in effect until the next one begins. Since planetary hours are based on latitude, you do not add one, two, or three hours according to zone time, but you do make an adjustment for daylight saving time.



HORARY ASTROLOGY



by **ALPHEE LAVOIE, C.A.**
NCGR LEVEL IV

Question: *I'm in love with two men.
Which one should I marry?*

Date: August 3, 2014

Time: 1:18 P.M. E.D.T.

Place: West Hartford, Connecticut

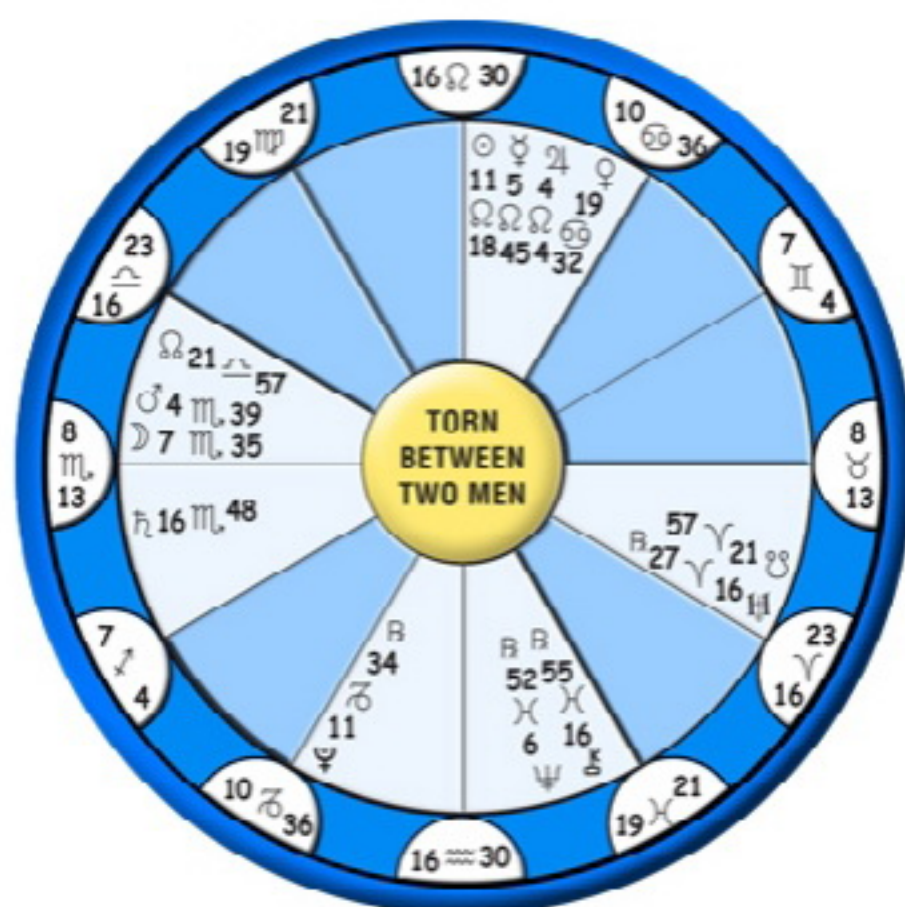
A couple of weeks ago, my wife, Carol, and I were watching a rerun of a television show called *Love Triangle*. This short-lived, dating-themed game show features a person who is in love with two people and has to decide between the two of them. I was stunned that someone could get into such a dilemma. Well, as fate would have it, a new client called and asked me to do a horary chart for the exact same situation.

The horary chart for my client's question shows Scorpio Rising, with the ruling planet, Pluto, retrograde in Capricorn in the

third house. This confirms that the Querent is having a hard time making a decision. Pluto in Capricorn specifically points to the fact that she's looking at the situation closely, as if under a microscope. By virtue of being in the first house, Saturn is the Querent's co-ruler. This planet is in her first house and rules her third house of decision-making. As you would guess from this, she is terribly confused.

The first thing I asked my client to tell me was which man she began dating first. That man would be signified by the fifth house, while the second romantic partner would be represented by the fifth house counting from the fifth: the ninth.

Let's begin by taking a look at the first boyfriend. With Pisces on the fifth-house cusp, Neptune is his ruler. Neptune is retrograde in Pisces and located in the Querent's fourth house, which is his twelfth house. The sign Pisces shows that he is



caring and idealistic but could be a dreamer. With Neptune in his twelfth house, he could be a behind-the-scenes type of person. The trine from Mars to Neptune can help him reach for his dreams.

The ninth house, which has Cancer on the cusp, rules the second boyfriend, making the Moon his ruler. This Scorpio Moon shows that he is much more intense than the first boyfriend. Four planets in the ninth house add to the description of this second lover. Venus in Cancer shows his love of home and family. The conjunction of the Sun, Mercury, and Jupiter in Leo shows that he has a strong, outgoing personality; he is a great talker with above-average intelligence and has a positive outlook on life. The square of the Sun to this Moon, however, shows a possible negative use of his good qualities, as it can create friction between his emotional needs and his life purpose.

It is easy to see that my client is truly in love with both men. This is shown by the sextile of her ruler, Pluto, to Neptune, the ruler of the first boyfriend, and its sextile to the Moon, the ruler of the second boyfriend.

To determine which man she should marry, we need to scrutinize the radical seventh house, which governs marriage. Taurus sits on the cusp of this house, making Venus the planet to proclaim a marriage.

Let us look first at the ruler of the first boyfriend. Neptune does not aspect Venus, though it does sextile the cusp of the seventh house. There is the possibility of a pledge here.

If we look at the ruler of the second boyfriend, the Moon, we see that it is trine Venus, ruler of the Querent's house of marriage. This could indicate an affirmative answer to the question of choosing him as a marriage partner. Additionally, the Moon is conjunct the Ascendant, making that possibility even stronger. This shows that he really cares for my client. Another strong indicator of a "yes" can be seen in the Moon's trine to Venus, which is the Moon's last aspect. The Moon's final Ptolemaic aspect (conjunction, sextile,

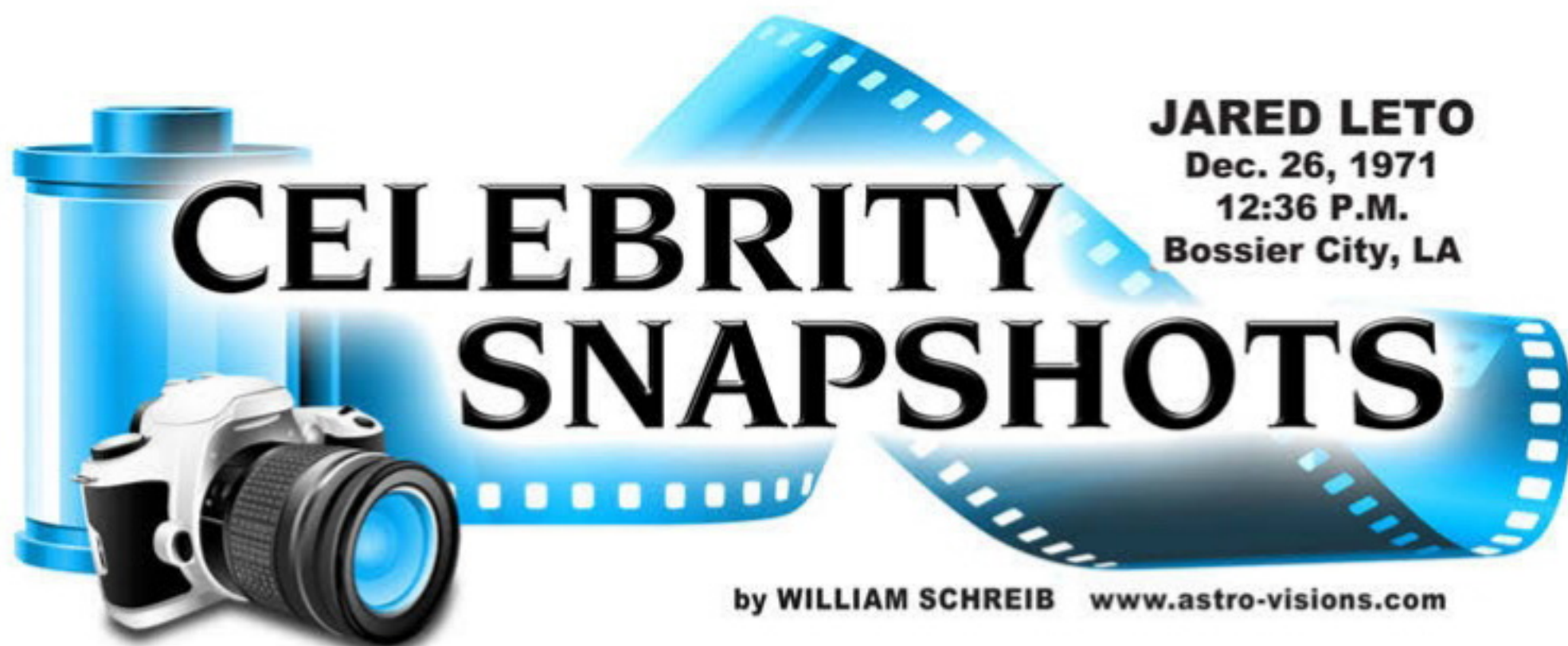
square, trine, or opposition) before changing signs is always a very important one to consider in horary.

And there's even more to flesh out this answer. My client's ruler, Pluto, is in the second boyfriend's seventh house of marriage, and the ruler of his seventh house of marriage, Saturn, is in the Querent's first house. The only thing that would negate this connection is the Sun's square to the Querent's co-ruler, Saturn, ruler of her third house. This could make her feel that he is not capable of providing stability in the relationship. The Sun rules his second house of money (the radical tenth house). If we look at his tenth house of career, the natural sixth house, we see that Mars rules it and that Mars squares the Sun. Her ruler, Pluto in Capricorn, makes her very serious-minded and shows a need for security. All those planets in his first house show him to be quite a free spirit who loves fun and taking dares and chances. This could be the one sore point that hinders a good marriage, so my client needs to explore this more before she makes a commitment to marry this man.

In spite of that, the horary is very clear that in a toss-up between these two men, the second boyfriend is the one for her.



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Jared Leto has six chart components in fire and four in air. Since his Sun is the only feminine component in his horoscope, he is not a typical Capricorn; however, with his Sun near his Midheaven, Jared shows a Capricorn obsession with orchestrating every step in his amazing career(s). Leto is an actor, musician, director, activist, philanthropist, and businessman. This Capricorn tenacity shows in the all-consuming, method-acting approach he takes in his motion-picture roles. His Capricorn business acumen is apparent in his work with his band *30 Seconds to Mars*, which he had cleverly promoted by innovating his own online, live-concert, video-streaming service, social-media, and digital-marketing systems. (These systems are now used widely by other performance artists.)

SUN IN CAPRICORN



The two photos below on the left show several Capricorn physical traits. Note the broad cheekbones and how they rise high on the side of the face, creating a depression under the deep-set eyes that account for the serious expression we see in most Capricorns. Since his Sun's T-square with Mars (in Aries) and Pluto (in Libra) intensify his solar forces, Jared shows little of the cautious drive of the typical reserved Goat. Fortunately, these cardinal excesses are dispersed by his Sun's ruling planet, Saturn, and its placement in mutable Gemini. As seen in the photo below on the right, the Ringed Planet's harmonious aspects to Mars and Pluto (and Jupiter's trine to his Moon and Ascendant) work together to add an electrical, exuberant quality to what would otherwise be a dour personality.





With his Aries Ascendant, Jared appears to constantly be on “full charge.” This Ram persona is reinforced by the irrepressible emotions of his Aries Moon and driven by his Aries Mars! With his Mercury in Sagittarius sextile Uranus and trine his Ascendant, Leto also has a gift for presenting an inventive array of inspired ideas. This is apparent in his music, in his band’s videos, and in his socially conscious documentaries. Jared’s ability to submerge himself in his film per-

formances can be attributed to the Mars trine and Saturn opposition to his illusion-creating Neptune. Mars gives him the uninhibited physical drive to push the envelope, while Saturn brings these Neptune illusions into physical form. Since Aries rarely shows the sustaining drive one needs to complete such enduring tasks, the discipline for all this can be credited to Jared’s lonely Capricorn Sun. This illustrates how the Sun is the primary driver of an individual’s creative desires.



MARS REGULATES ONE’S PHYSICAL DRIVE AND METABOLISM

Mars regulates physical drive and metabolism. In his role in the 2000 film *Requiem for a Dream*, Jared lost 28 pounds to portray the mental and physical degradation of a drug addict; this performance gained him his first acclaim as a serious actor. In 2007’s *Chapter 27*, Leto went in the opposite direction, gaining 67 pounds to submerge himself in the delusions of Mark David Chapman, John Lennon’s killer. In 2013, he transformed his back-to-normal physique once



again, losing 30 pounds to play a transgender AIDS patient in *Dallas Buyers Club*, which won him an Oscar for Best Supporting Actor.

Jared’s ability to make these enormous changes in his physical appearance is likely the product of his Ascendant’s trine to Jupiter and its opposition to Uranus. The discipline to make these changes likely comes from his Saturn’s sextile and Pluto’s opposition to Mars, the planet that regulates physical drive and metabolism.

JANUARY 2015 EPHEMERIS

Jan. 2015, 0 ^h E.S.T.				Geocentric Longitude							
Jan.	Sidereal Time			Sun ☉	Mercury ☿	Venus ♀	Moon ☾	Mars ♂	Jupiter ♃	Saturn ♄	
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Jan. 2015, 0 ^h E.S.T.				Declination and Geocentric Latitude							
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SELF-GUIDANCE CHART

JANUARY 2015

The time recorded here is Eastern Standard Time (E.S.T.). Subtract 1 hour for Central Standard Time (C.S.T.); 2 hours for Mountain Standard Time (M.S.T.); 3 hours for Pacific Standard Time (P.S.T.). The use of each planetary grouping is given with the aspect, which is in force until the time given in the chart. Thus, Moon trine Mercury is in effect until 1:19 A.M. E.S.T. on January 1; after this, Moon sesquiquadrate Sun is in effect until 4:08 A.M. E.S.T. on January 1. An aspect between planets is in force for several days before the aspect culminates. Thus, Mars opposition Jupiter has effect for several days before it culminates on January 1 at 2:49 P.M. E.S.T. and develops a frame of reference for intervening aspects. After Mars opposition Jupiter, the next aspect between planets is Mars contraparallel Jupiter on January 2 at 11:51 A.M. E.S.T., which forms a major frame of reference for intervening lunar aspects. When the frame of reference is favorable, it tends to mitigate retarding lunar forces; when it is not favorable, it tends to minimize lunar benefits.

LEGEND

LUMINARIES

☉ Sun
☾ Moon
☾ ☉ New Moon
☾ ☿ Full Moon
☾ ☐ ☉ Quarter Moon

PLANETS

☿ Mercury
♀ Venus
♂ Mars
♃ Jupiter
♄ Saturn
♅ Uranus
♆ Neptune
♇ Pluto

ASPECTS

♌ conjunction 0°, prominence
♎ semisextile 30°, growth
♏ semisquare 45°, friction
♐ sextile 60°, opportunity
☐ square 90°, obstacle
△ trine 120°, luck
☐ sesquiquadrate 135°, agitation
♋ quincunx 150°, adjustment
♌ opposition 180°, separation
|| parallel, similar to ☿
contraparallel, similar to ☿
D = direct in motion
R = retrograde in motion

SIGNS

♈ Aries
♉ Taurus
♊ Gemini
♋ Cancer
♌ Leo
♍ Virgo
♎ Libra
♏ Scorpio
♐ Sagittarius
♑ Capricorn
♒ Aquarius
♓ Pisces

VOID-OF-COURSE MOON CHART

LAST ASPECT (EST)	MOON INGRESS (EST)	LAST ASPECT (EST)	MOON INGRESS (EST)
1 ☾ △ ♀ 7:20 AM	1 ♊ 12:10 PM	17 ☾ △ ♃ 2:26 PM	18 ♑ 7:05 AM
3 ☾ △ ♂ 6:56 AM	3 ☊ 8:08 PM	19 ☾ ☿ ♅ 5:52 AM	20 ♒ 8:01 AM
4 ☾ ☿ ☉ 11:54 PM	6 ♌ 6:03 AM	21 ☾ ☿ ♀ 8:46 PM	22 ♒ 7:49 AM
8 ☾ ☿ ♂ 12:05 PM	8 ♍ 5:58 PM	23 ☾ ✕ ♅ 6:14 AM	24 ♈ 8:32 AM
10 ☾ △ ☉ 10:46 AM	11 ♎ 6:57 AM	26 ☾ ✕ ♀ 9:24 AM	26 ♉ 11:38 AM
13 ☾ ☐ ☉ 4:47 AM	13 ♍ 6:45 PM	27 ☾ ☐ ♃ 9:19 PM	28 ♊ 5:37 PM
15 ☾ ✕ ☉ 6:53 PM	16 ♈ 3:02 AM	30 ☾ ✕ ♃ 4:25 AM	31 ☊ 2:09 AM

Note: The Moon is void of course from the time it forms its last major aspect (conjunction, sextile, trine, square, opposition) to a planet until the time it enters a new sign. During this time, confusion prevails, plans or projects fail to materialize, and delays can be expected.

How the Sun, Moon, and Planets Influence You Daily

by RONNIE GRISHMAN

1/2015 Day/Date	Symbols & Aspects	E.S.T.	Guidance
Thu 1	☾ △ ☿	1:19 AM	You're a smooth talker with all the right information and skills.
	☾ ☐ ☉	4:08 AM	Trying to find satisfaction only in the material world may not work.
	☾ △ ♀	7:20 AM	How great is it to start the day with friendly, loving companions?
	☾ ∠ ♀	7:48 AM	The serenity from a moment ago morphs into erratic edginess.
	☾ ☐ ♀	8:50 AM	Holding onto power or money isn't an edge but a growth-inhibitor.
	☾ enters ♀	12:10 PM	
	☾ ☐ ♀	1:54 PM	Someone may restrict what you want to say or block an upbeat talk.
	♂ ☐ ♀ 21° ♀ - ♀	2:49 PM	Extravagance reigns. You overindulge pleasures, push beliefs or self-importance, are edgily restless. You want social adventures!
	☾ ☐ ♀	10:08 PM	Clarity and focus are lacking. Relax with an easygoing diversion.
Fri 2	☾ ☐ ☿	8:45 AM	Your plans may hit a snag, or someone may shoot down a goal.
	☾ ♀ ☉	10:08 AM	It's hard to stay motivated or optimistic if cynicism overtakes you.
	☾ ♀ ♀	11:31 AM	Here's a chance to try something innovative and see good results.
	♂ ♀ ♀ 15° S-N	11:51 AM	Enthusiasm easily turns to overbearing. This isn't the time to push yourself into the spotlight or to set off on a misguided adventure.
	☾ ♀ ♀	12:37 PM	If you're holding feelings inside, they stew and brood anyway.
	☿ ∥ ☉ 22° S	1:10 PM	If you or another is reserved or inhibited, now you get the chance to use a little charm and poise to manifest your friendliest side.
	☾ ☐ ♀	2:00 PM	Emotions are lacking in relations, upping the awkward factor.
	☾ ♀ ♀	10:39 PM	It may be hard to express yourself. The right words are not there.
Sat 3	☉ ☐ ♀ 12° ♀ - ♀	3:40 AM	Someone staid and conservative may suddenly do something unsettling or rebellious; or an old tradition may fall unexpectedly.
	☾ ♀ ♀	4:14 AM	Laugh, love, enjoy happy times! Make a playdate; be creative.
	☾ △ ♂	6:56 AM	Take quick action on a good idea and a friend jumps in beside you.
	♀ enters ♀	9:49 AM	
	☾ ♀ ☿	4:48 PM	If you're put to the test, you may not have answers at your disposal.
	☉ ☐ ♀ 13° ♀	6:31 PM	You're extreme, intense, complex. Don't be a dictator. Use your power for positive reform. Improve yourself and social conditions.

1/2015	Symbols & Aspects	E.S.T.	Guidance
Sat 3	☾ enters ♊	8:08 PM	
	☾ ☿ ♀	9:16 PM	You're uncomfortable around others. Boundaries aren't secure.
	☾ ☿ ♋	10:23 PM	The comforts and security you need likely come with a price now.
SUN 4	☾ ♄ ♋	2:15 AM	Insecurities lead to defense posturing. You lose sleep worrying.
	☾ △ ♀	6:33 AM	Intuition flows, as do sympathy, sensitivity, kindness, creativity.
	☾ ∠ ♋	8:28 AM	You'll likely overdo on food, family, or sentiment this morning.
	♀ ☿ ♋ 1° ♋ -♂	9:16 AM	There's a reliable friend you can count on, or maybe someone in the crowd relies on you. Relationships have solid foundations now.
	☾ ☐ ♂	1:17 PM	You may be defensive or edgily defend someone in your care.
	☿ enters ♋	8:08 PM	
	☾ ☐ ♋	8:19 PM	Moods are erratic, spontaneously combustible. Change is quick.
	☾ ♂ ♋	9:34 PM	Repressed feelings or power struggles put you at odds with others.
	☾ ♂ ☐ 14° ♋ -♂	11:54 PM	<i>This lunation demands security, but puts stressful emergency conditions between work-and-home/inner-and-outer needs.</i>
Mon 5	☾ ☐ ♋	3:21 AM	Finding a comfort level outside of your normal routine is unlikely.
	☾ ☐ ♀	11:30 AM	You may be lost in a memory (or a fog) or temporarily distracted.
	☾ ∨ ♋	1:12 PM	You love home and family. Cook (eat), snuggle in with loved ones.
	☿ ☿ ♋ 1° ♋ -♂	5:22 PM	Your intellect is well developed. You're informed, logical, mentally disciplined. When you're sure of your facts, speak with conviction.
	☾ ☿ ♂	8:16 PM	It's easy to make a misstep emotionally or physically. Take care.
Tue 6	☾ enters ♋	6:03 AM	
	☾ ♋	8:15 AM	You know what the good things in life are and enjoy them fully!
	☾ △ ♋	8:50 AM	Stability reigns with children and loved ones, providing security.
	☾ ♂ ☿	10:54 AM	Consider another's views before pushing yours into the spotlight.
	☾ ♂ ♀	1:52 PM	Love is a grand feeling, but friendship and romance may not mix.
	☾ ☿ ♀	4:58 PM	Reactions are passive or moodily theatrical. Attention is absent.
	♀ ♋ 20° S	7:20 PM	Your feelings about someone intensify, increasing your desire to be closer. Make sure jealousy doesn't interfere; and don't use anyone.
	☾ ♄ ♂	8:56 PM	To have things your way or claim attention, aggression may set in.

1/2015	Symbols & Aspects	E.S.T.	Guidance
Tue 6	☉ ∠ ♏ 16° ʘ -1° ♏	9:56 PM	You may feel oppressed or cynical about your future or the progress of an important ambition. A lot of work seems to lead to nothing.
Wed 7	☽ ∆ ♏	7:10 AM	Let your happiness lead you to impulsively liberating choices.
	☽ π ♀	8:34 AM	There's some struggle with authority, whether inner or outer.
	☽ π ☉	4:17 PM	Your own internal barometer lacks confidence or feels thwarted.
	♀ √ ♀ 5° ≈ -)(	8:35 PM	You see the best in everyone and have faith in a friend. Believe in your own hopes and dreams. Helping others makes you feel good.
Thu 8	☽ ♂ ♏	12:08 AM	What you love and enjoy brings you a great deal of pleasure now.
	☿ ∥ ♀ 20° S	2:22 AM	You see what's at the core of matters, as well as others' motivations. Don't let this insight turn to obsession or suspicion.
	☽ # ♀	3:52 AM	You see, or feel, things unrealistically. Reactions are dramatic.
	☽ ♂ ♂	12:05 PM	Social activities heat up. Some compete for the attention of others.
	☽ ☐ ♏	1:20 PM	No limits to enthusiasm or jocularly can overtake decorum.
	☿ √ ♀ 5° ≈ -)(	1:56 PM	You have faith in others and in the future, perhaps through an intuitive sense. Artistry, nature, and charity move your heart now.
	☽ ☐ ♀	2:48 PM	A complex inner emotional pattern makes control an issue.
	☽ enters ♏	5:58 PM	
	☽ ☐ ♏	9:19 PM	Expect complaints and criticisms. Dissatisfaction makes you picky.
Fri 9	☽ ☐ ☉	1:22 AM	You're focused on material gain to the point of emotional lack.
	☽ ♂ ♀	5:20 AM	
	♂ ∠ ♏ 27° ≈ -12° ♏	7:23 AM	You want to act unrestrained, without hesitation, but uncontrolled physical energy and a taste for excitement leads to upsets, accidents.
	☽ π ☿	7:24 AM	Routines and methods are off, as are your nerves. Watch criticism.
	☽ π ♀	9:08 AM	Trying to get along will take some consideration and adjustment.
	☽ ∥ ♏	7:29 PM	You'd prefer things to be staid and orderly, but unsettling trumps.
	☽ π ♏	7:49 PM	You're wired tightly and may precipitously do something upsetting.
	☽ ∆ ♀	9:21 PM	Here's the chance to improve poor conditions or make repairs.
Sat 10	☿ ∥ ♀ 19° S	6:10 AM	If you needed a little finesse to straighten out social or family affairs, here it is. Put your most congenial, charming foot forward.
	♂ ∠ ♀ 28° ≈ -13° ʘ	7:10 AM	Don't use powerful energy recklessly for control or manipulation. Cautiously focus on eliminating what no longer works for you.
	☽ ∆ ☉	10:46 AM	Elbow grease and a good work ethic will lead you to success.

1/2015	Symbols & Aspects	E.S.T.	Guidance
Sat 10	♌ ∨ ♈	12:29 PM	If you extend a helping hand, someone is bound to be appreciative.
	♌ ☊ ♍	5:56 PM	When feelings are left out of talks, criticism is likely to set in.
	♌ ☊ ♎	7:17 PM	Friendships and family relations are subject to awkward bad moods.
SUN 11	☉ ∠ ♍ 20° ♎ - 5° ♏	12:39 AM	It's easy to lose yourself or sight of your goals. You're distracted, lack confidence, or are more concerned with soul than matter.
	☉ ♏ ♈ 20° ♎ - ♏	5:05 AM	You're still off your game, not able to beef up enough assurance to pursue an ambition correctly. Don't overcompensate. Wait it out.
	♌ ♏ ♂	5:22 AM	You're easily agitated when things go wrong or others interfere.
	♌ enters ♏	6:57 AM	
	♌ ✕ ♏	10:47 AM	People are reliable, courteous, and chivalrous. You feel secure.
	♌ ♏ ♍	6:27 PM	You might feel too passive to respond with much energy or will.
	♌ ∠ ♈	6:40 PM	Charm is fine, but don't be insincere or play it up to get things.
Mon 12	♍ ♏ 18° S	3:15 AM	If you're slow in responding, it's because you're thinking things through carefully before making a decision. Build your confidence.
	♌ △ ♍	4:00 AM	You express yourself harmoniously and others happily agree.
	♌ # ♏	4:18 AM	The balance in relationships is overturned by erratic personalities.
	♌ △ ♎	5:12 AM	People are charmingly attentive. You're happy with a friend, mate.
	♏ enters ♏	5:20 AM	
	♌ ♂ ♏	8:42 AM	Those who are usually reliable may make a break for freedom.
	♌ □ ♏	10:18 AM	Trying to control another will only heat up old repressed feelings.
	♌ ☊ ♂	1:42 PM	A passive-aggressive mode makes it hard to advance or retreat well.
	♌ ∠ ♏	5:10 PM	The niceties of social relationships fall to strident regulations.
Tue 13	♌ ✕ ♈	12:25 AM	You appreciate life's pleasures with a joyful, gracious benevolence.
	♌ ☊ ♍	12:32 AM	You may be lost in a dream about someone or easily distracted.
	♀ ♏ 18° S	1:30 AM	You take relationships seriously and are expected to honor your commitments, whether to a friend, social group, or your spouse.
	♌ □ ☉	4:47 AM	<i>Emotions are in conflict. You're torn between at-odds needs, goals.</i>
	♀ ✕ ♏ 12° ♏ - ♏	3:12 PM	An exciting attraction with someone new or different has your heart and senses thumping. You're ready to experiment with pleasures.
	♌ ♍	6:22 PM	Your imagination may be drifting away on a romantic dream.

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Tue 13	☾ enters ♍	6:45 PM	
	☾ △ ♂	9:16 PM	A full emotional reservoir informs instinctively caring actions.
	☾ ⊥ ♉	10:51 PM	You have the wherewithal to be there for someone who needs you.
Wed 14	☿ ✕ ♀ 12° ♋ - ♎	5:25 AM	You're alert, savvy, clever, inventive, and think progressively. Solutions bypass logic, as fast flashes of insight are revelatory.
	☾ △ ♀	5:52 AM	Your compassion is deep, and you want to help those in need.
	♀ ⊥ ♀ 13° ♋ - ♎	7:17 AM	Feelings for a friend or colleague may deepen. You understand emotionally what motivates others. Sharing is complex, profound.
	☾ ♂	7:18 AM	You may have private reasons or secret feelings propelling action.
	☾ ✕ ♀	7:19 PM	It might be hard to contain or control rising negative feelings.
	☾ □ ☿	8:31 PM	Backlash from an outburst is harsh. Someone could be mean.
	☾ ✕ ♀	8:53 PM	You can make improvements but may prefer solitary activity.
Thu 15	☾ □ ♀	10:19 PM	An earlier problem with a friend still plagues compatibility.
	♂ □ ♉ 2° ♋ - ♎	1:11 AM	Defensiveness, fear of rejection, and melancholy imbue interactions. It's hard to reach goals despite much work and effort.
	☿ ⊥ ♀ 13° ♋ - ♎	1:21 AM	You've got keen mental perspicacity and an analytical intellect. You understand esoteric ideas, producing profound understanding.
	☾ □ ♀	9:30 AM	Excess and extreme are the current modes, but overdoing costs.
	☾ # ♀	3:41 PM	Moderation is still lacking, replaced by compulsive desires.
	☾ ✕ ☉	6:53 PM	Balance is restored. You're competent, capable, and disciplined.
Fri 16	☾ □ ♀	11:08 PM	An edgy lack of controls prompts nervous reactions or outbursts.
	☾ ∠ ♀	12:40 AM	You're brooding or resentful, keeping to yourself self-reliantly.
	☾ enters ♎	3:02 AM	
	☾ ☿	3:45 AM	Suddenly your outlook is brighter and you see things positively.
	☾ ♂ ♉	7:12 AM	You may have rigid beliefs or are working on maturing opinions.
	☾ □ ♂	8:52 AM	What you espouse may be challenged. Angry indecision reigns.
	☾ □ ♀	1:27 PM	Confusion or flaws make it hard to know which direction to follow.
	☾ ♀	2:15 PM	Friendliness is in the air, a light, easygoing, agreeable camaraderie.
	☾ ∠ ☉	11:53 PM	You may prefer to goof off or escape than tend to obligations.

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Sat 17	☾ △ ♀	1:51 AM	You easily adapt to the new, original, progressive, and exciting.
	☾ ∨ ♀	3:21 AM	If you're feeling inspirational, maybe you need a goal to hang it on.
	☾ ✕ ☿	6:29 AM	You have an intellectual curiosity and speak congenially to anyone.
	☾ ✕ ♀	9:54 AM	Unions are based on happy social principles and joyful sharing.
	☾ △ ♄	2:26 PM	A regal appreciation of life's good things is pleasurable and joyful.
SUN 18	☉ ♀ 20° N	12:54 AM	You've got personal power to achieve your ambitions over the competition, but use it for self-improvement, not controlling others.
	☾ ∨ ☉	3:35 AM	Be open to a lighthearted exchange with someone more traditional.
	☿ # ♄ 15° S-N	7:00 AM	A morning conversation may rouse enthusiasm, especially if with a good friend, but beware of skewed judgments and poor analysis.
	☾ enters ♄	7:05 AM	
	☾ ∠ ☿	9:09 AM	A chilly reserve may imbue discussions. Don't look for accord now.
	☾ ∨ ♄	11:16 AM	Try to stabilize a vision with a way to anchor it to a good plan.
	☾ ∠ ♀	1:42 PM	Favors are not likely to be granted. Others are cautiously reserved.
	☾ ✕ ♂	3:27 PM	You take action toward a goal guided by intuition and compassion.
	☾ ☐ ♄	3:29 PM	If you go overboard with arrogance, it topples the power balance.
	☾ ✕ ♀	4:53 PM	A gentle, gentile consideration softens outer rigidity. Be intuitive.
Mon 19	☾ ☐ ♀	4:26 AM	Moods erupt unexpectedly, or changes are made by an authority.
	☾ ♂ ♀	5:52 AM	Power is concentrated. Use it to accomplish a goal, not control.
	♀ ♂ ♄ 19° ♋ - ♏	8:45 AM	Too much, given or taken, leads to extreme desires. Don't be indulgent with luxury or socially vain. Enjoy life within limits.
	☾ ∨ ☿	10:37 AM	If you're a good listener, a friend or ally will be very appreciative.
	☾ ∠ ♄	12:02 PM	Cynicism tops optimism. It's hard to maintain a positive view.
	☾ ✕ ♄	3:48 PM	Imbalance in desires or power leads to hard-to-handle extremes.
	☾ ∨ ♀	4:31 PM	Being nice or responsive to a colleague or boss opens a door.
	☾ ∠ ♂	5:20 PM	You may slide toward ruthlessness if you forget about compassion.
	☾ ∠ ♀	5:26 PM	It's easy to get lost in sentiment, distraction, or a nostalgic memory.
	♂ ♂ ♀ 5° ♏	7:09 PM	Instincts guide your actions, yet you hesitate under clouded motivations, confusion. Pursue a spiritual course. Artistic photography glows.

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Tue 20	☾ ♀	2:27 AM	You may feel a need to connect with an old friend or loved one.
	☼ enters ♊	4:44 AM	
	☾ # ♈	5:21 AM	You may want too much or strive too hard, overreaching for a goal.
	☾ enters ♊	8:01 AM	
	☾ ♂ ☼ 0° ♊	8:14 AM	<i>Take time to sow the seeds of social cooperation, objectivity, shared ideals, communal goals, and personal dreams in the coming month.</i>
	♂ ♀ 10° S	11:45 AM	You may be on an idealistic crusade, but do you really know where you're going? Uncertainty may disable a worthy adventure.
	☾ ✕ ♏	12:17 PM	A friend may be a stable provider or supporter of your beliefs.
	☾ ♀	1:34 PM	Talk things over with a friend or enjoy a midday shopping jaunt.
	☾ ∨ ♀	5:31 PM	You have faith in someone and are receptive to kind gestures.
	☾ ∨ ♂	6:42 PM	Taking action on behalf of a friend engenders reciprocal feelings.
	♀ # ♈ 15° S-N	7:14 PM	It's easy to overdo, whether with money, food, socializing; but excess comes with a price tag and misses the point of sincerity.
Wed 21	☾ ✕ ♏	4:41 AM	An individual contribution to a group cause sparks innovation!
	☾ ∨ ♀	6:07 AM	The best course might be to share what you've got with someone.
	♀ SR 17° ♊	10:52 AM	
	☾ ♂ ♀	11:14 AM	You communicate well with people; others are smart responders.
	☾ ♂ ♈	3:22 PM	There may be a lot of jockeying for attention in the social spotlight.
	☾ ♂ ♀	8:46 PM	A relation with a friend or genial family member enlivens bonds.
	☾ ♀	9:56 PM	You see the world through imaginative eyes. Dream a little dream.
Thu 22	☾ ♂	12:31 AM	Take action that helps a friend. You're a sympathetic crusader.
	☾ ∠ ♏	4:36 AM	Those communally involved may need a break for independence.
	☾ ∠ ♀	6:04 AM	The emotional atmosphere is chilly. Others may not be supportive.
	☾ enters ♏	7:49 AM	
	☾ ∨ ☼	11:32 AM	Be sensitive with another and he or she will return the friendly feel.
	☾ □ ♏	12:21 PM	You may feel dependent on an older person. Insecurities move you.
	☾ ♂ ♀	5:28 PM	Either imagination or confusion is the primary emotional factor.

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Thu 22	☾ ♂	9:11 PM	Emotional sensitivity to someone's need motivates you to act.
Fri 23	☉ ✕ ♋ 2° ♁ - ♌	12:24 AM	Make the most of your potentials through hard work and a slow, steady advancement toward your goals. Anchor a vision in reality.
	☾ # ♏	3:48 AM	Nervous energy may make it hard to settle down and get to sleep.
	☾ ∨ ♏	4:45 AM	Combine receptivity and assertiveness to make the most of now.
	☾ ✕ ♀	6:14 AM	You're able to take charge while still maintaining your sensitivity.
	☾ ∨ ♀	10:43 AM	A friend may need an understanding listener. Can that be you?
	☾ ∠ ☉	1:31 PM	Internal imbalance makes it hard to find your outer path to success.
	☾ π ♏	3:11 PM	Reactions are likely to be overly dramatic, perhaps even theatrical.
Sat 24	☾ ∨ ♀	1:39 AM	If you need a little TLC, you might find a caring friend online now.
	☾ enters ♍	8:32 AM	
	☾ ∠ ♀	10:35 AM	Quick, snappy retorts are chilly or harsh; explanations abrupt.
	☾ △ ♋	1:30 PM	Lay down the correct rules and it creates stability to rely on.
	☾ ☐ ♏	3:43 PM	An overflow of exuberance is enlivening, but avoid arrogance.
	☾ ✕ ☉	4:07 PM	You're able to be yourself and still happily be part of the group.
	☾ ∨ ♍	6:41 PM	Your more offensive side softens while passivity strengthens.
SUN 25	☾ ∨ ♂	1:19 AM	Let yourself be guided by a sense of intuition when you take action.
	☾ ♏	3:26 AM	You're excitable and impulsive. You need to shake things up.
	☾ ∠ ♀	5:04 AM	Brittle relations need more tender feelings to create compatibility.
	☾ ♂ ♏	6:28 AM	You react spontaneously to impulses and need a stir of excitement.
	☾ ☐ ♀	8:02 AM	There could be an emotional power struggle with one in charge.
	♀ ♀ 13° N	8:55 AM	A congenial, charming conviviality makes an early get-together pleasant and enjoyable. Sweet-talking words bring easy accord.
	☾ ✕ ♀	10:42 AM	You have enthusiastic opinions and share them with eager others.
	☾ ☐ ♋	2:58 PM	Exuberance and optimism may get squashed into cynical dismay.
	☾ △ ♏	4:53 PM	Every good thing and joyful, loving pleasure makes life feel good.
	☉ ♋ 18° S	7:59 PM	Hard work may not bring you the rewards or advancement you've been striving for, but stand by your work ethic and follow a plan.

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SUN 25	$\text{♄} \angle \text{♅}$	8:13 PM	Even those usually self-centered care more about others now.
	$\text{♀} \angle \text{♁} 28^\circ \text{---} 13^\circ \text{♄}$	9:18 PM	Commitments are rattled by those who need independence and search for exciting new stimulations and temporary liaisons.
Mon 26	$\text{♄} \# \text{♂}$	12:56 AM	Don't shoot yourself in the foot by being offensive or annoying.
	$\text{♄} \angle \text{♂}$	4:31 AM	A passive-aggressive attitude may be a front for insecurities.
	$\text{☉} \perp \text{♅} 6^\circ \text{---} \text{♄}$	5:31 AM	Shared goals that help others or work for the good of the planet are uniting. Reach to a lodestar to carry your own hopes, too.
	$\text{♄} \times \text{♀}$	9:24 AM	Relations are enlivened by upbeat friends and a zest for good times.
	$\text{♄} \# \text{♅}$	10:58 AM	You may be hesitant or confused about what to do or how to act.
	♄ enters ♄	11:38 AM	
	$\text{♀} \angle \text{♁} 29^\circ \text{---} 14^\circ \text{♄}$	3:41 PM	You may feel jealousy, envy, resentment, or an inappropriate attraction to a friend or colleague. Don't do anything improper.
	$\text{♄} \pi \text{♄}$	5:10 PM	Cherished security is difficult to acquire under awkward conditions.
	$\text{♄} \times \text{♅}$	10:29 PM	You appreciate with joy the sensual, soulful, and material worlds.
	$\text{♄} \square \text{☉}$	11:49 PM	<i>Values conflict. Don't lend money to a friend or expect support.</i>
Tue 27	$\text{♄} \perp \text{♁} 14^\circ \text{---} \text{♄}$	3:28 AM	You've got a shrewd eye for others' motivations and understand the core of any matter being discussed. Work with an ally on a plan.
	$\text{♄} \# \text{♀}$	8:13 AM	Getting what you want from another may bring out possessiveness.
	$\text{♄} \times \text{♂}$	8:35 AM	You take action with concern to acquire basic goods and security.
	♀ enters ♄	10:00 AM	
	$\text{♄} \perp \text{♁}$	10:56 AM	Take a break from routine and you'll feel refreshed afterwards.
	$\text{♄} \square \text{♀}$	11:56 AM	Talking about what you need may create more conflict than peace.
	$\text{♄} \triangle \text{♁}$	12:36 PM	Put your physical energy into getting the job done to succeed.
	$\text{♄} \# \text{♀}$	3:37 PM	Explanations get caught in problematic counterpoints. Be specific.
	$\text{♄} \square \text{♄}$	9:19 PM	Money, food, and love are tossed between saving and indulgence.
Wed 28	$\text{♀} \times \text{♁} 13^\circ \text{---} \text{♄}$	12:03 AM	A brilliant idea may flash into your mind. Decisions made on the fly work out for everyone! Tech news may induce a sudden purchase.
	$\text{♀} \perp \text{♂} 12^\circ \text{---} \text{♄}$	10:26 AM	You're likely to take quick action on a good idea, partly fueled by intelligent observation and partly by a sense of intuition.
	$\text{♄} \parallel \text{♄}$	12:47 PM	You're feeling good and want to satisfy basic needs with goodies.
	$\text{♄} \angle \text{♁}$	2:15 PM	Expect your normal routine to get shaken up or suddenly changed.

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SUN 28	☽ ☾ ♀	3:59 PM	Acquisition—materially or professionally—creates competitors.
	☽ enters ♊	5:37 PM	
	☽ ☐ ♀	8:58 PM	You're fickle and flighty when it comes to relations; picky, too.
	☽ ♂ ♏	11:44 PM	Your ideas may be restricted or you find it hard to express them.
Mon 29	♂ ♃ ♏ 13° ♋ - ♎	2:30 AM	Be open to action that's liberating rather than stifling or routine. Spread your wings of individuality and independence a little.
	☽ ☐ ♀	5:11 AM	You may not know (literally) if you're coming or going right now.
	☽ △ ☉	11:07 AM	A chat with smart friends satisfies your emotional need to connect.
	☽ △ ♀	2:36 PM	Smart ideas fly quickly. Everyone's in agreement. Promote now!
	☽ # ☉	3:05 PM	There may be a lot of talk but little significance or less logic.
	☽ ✕ ♏	6:14 PM	An exciting turn of mind or new event provides great stimulation.
	☽ ☐ ♂	7:13 PM	It's easy for words to turn harsh or critical. Actions can be caustic.
	☽ π ♀	8:00 PM	Old, ingrained mental or emotional patterns are stuck in the past.
Tue 30	♀ ☐ ♏ 3° ♋ - ♏	3:24 AM	You may feel inhibited or isolated in a relationship; or co-dependent values make you stay even though romance has chilled.
	☽ ✕ ♏	4:25 AM	Happy, creative, joyful—words that describe you! Enjoy pleasures.
	♂ ✕ ♀ 14° ♋ - ♏	8:35 AM	You've got the strength, fortitude, resources, and physical energy to go after what you want and emerge victorious. Be kind to others.
	♀ ♂ ☉ 10° ♏	8:46 AM	Watch for tech new to be the talk of the town or a bright, innovative idea to be the foundation of your intentions about a hope or dream.
	☽ ☐ ♀	4:27 PM	Some may talk over themselves and others, crisscrossing logic.
	☽ ☐ ☉	5:58 PM	There's still a lot to say, but slow down so understanding can root.
Wed 31	☽ enters ♏	2:09 AM	
	☽ ∠ ♏	8:48 AM	An indulgent sentimentality hugs you to family, food, and comfort.
	☽ π ♏	8:50 AM	You may be feeling very insecure, not sure of where to nest or hide.
	☽ △ ♀	11:56 AM	Mother-love, warm comforts, and home cooking are so nurturing.
	☽ △ ♀	2:20 PM	You're intuitively sensitive and easily pick up on others' feelings.
	☽ π ♀	6:42 PM	A conversation with a friend may undermine your need for security.

UPCOMING IN OUR FEBRUARY 2015 ISSUE!

THE PERSONALITY CORE

Our private selves are separate from our public selves, and both are separate from the many selves we become throughout the years, among different audiences, and in various situations. In this article, astrologer Bob Makransky delves into the personality core, which is determined by the order of rising of the Sun, Mercury, and Venus on the birth day, and describes the numerous ways individuals establish their uniqueness and present themselves to others. The author details the six personality types as well as what it means to have a particular planet in the personality core. If you're a Type 3, you can be extremely sociable but wary of intimacy, whereas Type 5 people are often withdrawn yet proudly eccentric. Read this one all the way through and you're sure to learn more about yourself (or selves).

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Compatibility is complicated, but astrologer Dikki-Jo Mullen breaks it down in this simple-to-use guide, helping readers to find out how a certain someone may affect their lives. Using only a person's month and date of birth and considering your own twelve house cusps, you can discover whether you should expect the relationship to be supportive and beneficial, parental or controlling in nature, or quite volatile! For a sneak peak into partnership potential, make sure to pick up this quick-and-easy piece.

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